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REHABILITATION

Museum Receives \$457,000

After months of planning and waiting, Mayor Jenny Sewell and the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center Board of Directors learned last week that the museum will receive a grant in the amount of \$457,000 for a rehabilitation project.

The next step is to take bids from engineers to present proposals for the project. According to regulations, an engineer or architect must be procured within 90 days.

Sewell said a preliminary budget developed working with the Pennyrite Area Development District was used in the grant application. She feels this was an advantage in being chosen for the grant.

The building is in need of several repairs, including a new roof, windows and electrical wiring. Work will be done to the facade of the building, and the restrooms will be made ADA compliant. Sewell expects it will be near the end of the year before the work will actually begin.

"That's going to make this building viable and an asset to our community for several generations," she said, noting that Dawson Springs is the only community in Western Kentucky settled as a mineral water resort town that still exists.

"The history that we have archived here is available nowhere else. It tells an important story about the fabric of the community," Sewell said. "Additionally and equally important, the Holeman block art and Japanese collection is one of a kind and exists in the United States only at the Dawson Springs Museum and Art Center.



JERROL MILLER, one of UK's most loyal fans, hung a red towel on his "cat" before Kentucky's game with Western Kentucky during the first week of the NCAA Tournament. It's doubtful he will hang a red towel on his "cat" prior to the Kentucky-Louisville Final Four game Saturday. The game begins at 5:09 p.m. and will be televised on CBS.

SBDM COUNCIL

Policies Reviewed

The Dawson Springs Elementary SBDM Council met March 22. The meeting was postponed from March 15 because of the lack of a quorum.

The council continued its review of policies, approving the Instructional Practices, Instructional and Non-Instructional Staff Time Assignment, Parental Involvement, Principal Selection and Program Analysis policies with no change since their previous readings. The After School Activities Policy will be revisited at the April meeting to consider homebound issues.

Upcoming events include Spring Break March 30-April 9.

Gasoline Prices Continue Surge

Average retail gasoline prices in Kentucky have risen 12.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.88 Sunday. This compares with the national average that has increased 4.5 cents per gallon in the past week to \$3.86 per gallon according to gasoline price Web site Kentucky GasPrices.com.

Gas prices in Dawson Springs Tuesday afternoon were \$3.89 per gallon.

Including the change in gas prices in Kentucky during the past week, prices Sunday were 30.5 cents per gallon higher than on the same day one year ago and are 20.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 21.9 cents per gallon during the past month and stands 29.5 cents per gallon higher

KENTUCKY HAS SECOND HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF DISEASE

Colon Cancer Screening Saves Lives And Money

March was proclaimed Colon Cancer Awareness Month by Gov. Steve Beshear. He joined health advocates and survivors of colon cancer at a rally on the steps of the state Capitol March 1 to raise awareness of the disease and to highlight the need for more prevention and education funding across Kentucky.

However, the month's end should not end the focus on the disease which takes the lives of approximately 900 Kentuckians each year. It should instead be the beginning of efforts to eradicate what is actually one of the most preventable cancers.

Kentucky's incidence of colon cancer is the second highest in the nation and more than 20 percent higher than the national average. Kentucky

also has the third-highest colon and rectal cancer death rate in the United States.

"Colon cancer is a terrible disease that affects the lives of many Kentucky families," Beshear said. "We have staggering numbers associated with colon cancer in our state, so we must work together to change

its course if we are to make a real difference."

"There is good news about this disease: it is highly preventable with screening," Beshear added.

In his budget proposal that is before the General Assembly, Beshear is seeking to fund colon cancer screening for 4,000 uninsured Kentuckians. The \$1 million investment is to be matched dollar-for-dollar by the Kentucky Cancer Foundation to be spent over the biennium.

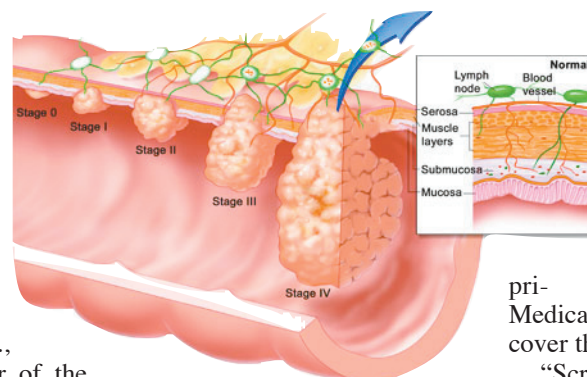
The Kentucky Colon Cancer Screening Act was signed into law in 2008 but has never been funded.

"Through my proposed budget, 4,000 uninsured Kentuckians have an opportunity to be screened, and this means both lives and money will be saved," Beshear said.

According to Steve Davis, M.D., acting commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Public Health, approximately 2,600 new cases of colon cancer are diagnosed in the state yearly.

"With more awareness and screenings, we can significantly reduce this number and help more Kentuckians lead longer, healthier lives," Davis said.

Department of Public Health statistics indicate colon cancer is 85 to 95 percent curable



tests, used alone or in combination, can be used to find polyps or colon cancer. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends screening for men and women aged 50 to 75. Most private insurance plans, Medicaid and Medicare help cover the cost.

"Screening and early detection can save lives," said Davis. "If you are 50 or older or have a history of colon cancer in your family, get screened. It's the best way to ensure your future health and well-being, avoid more serious complications and reduce the cost of health care."

While the risk of colon cancer is high, early detection can save lives. —Continued on page A8

EASTER FREEZES CAN BE DETRIMENTAL

Summerlike Weather Could Be Costly To State's Farmers

By
Aimee Nielson

Without looking at the calendar, Kentuckians might easily be fooled into thinking it is early June; but in fact, spring has just begun. After the warmest winter on the record books in

the Bluegrass state, spring has sprung very early causing some University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension specialists to gaze eerily back on a similar weather pattern in 2007.

"Temperatures soared in the second week of March with highs mostly in the 70s and some locations exceed-

ing 80 degrees," said Tom Priddy, UK agricultural meteorologist. "Rainfall was frequent; everything is turning green much earlier than usual. You can't help but think back to 2007."

During that year, spring came early and then a late Easter freeze decimated many horticultural and grain crops throughout the state. So what could growers and gardeners do to prepare for a possible late-season spring freeze?

"This pattern is all too familiar to that Easter freeze a few years ago," said Patsy Wilson, UK viticulture specialist. "The best safeguard for grapes at this point is to hold off on final pruning as late as possible."

Wilson said sometimes growers find it difficult to hold off because of vineyard size.

"As of right now, the grapes are still relatively dormant," she added. "But we should start seeing green tips in the next week or two and that will make many cultivars vulnerable to freeze or frost damage in Central Kentucky."

Chad Lee is a grain crops specialist at UK, and he believes wheat is the biggest concern right now, but that there's really nothing growers can do about it. He said in Western and

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Farmers Urged To Delay Planting

By
Katie Pratt

Record and near-record warm temperatures have many corn producers jumping at the chance to get out in the field and plant corn, but it may be best to wait a little longer, said Chad Lee, extension grain crops specialist with the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture.

Historically, producers in Western Kentucky have started planting corn around April 1, and Central and Eastern Kentucky producers begin to plant between April 10-15.

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WELCOMING the spring season are the tulips blooming on Scott Street at the home of David and Beri Zaparanick on Monday, March 26.

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Dawson Spring Policemen Report Week’s Activities

The Dawson Springs Police Department released the following reports last week:

—Sylvester L. Payne Jr., 28, 650 College Ave., Apt. A9, Paducah, was arrested March 19 on Ky. 109 North. He was charged with failure to maintain insurance, failure to pay fines (Hopkins County warrant) and contempt of court (Hopkins County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer, assisted by Chief Bill Crider.

—Lori Mitchell, 45, 415 4-H Camp Road, was arrested March 20 on Arcadia Avenue. She was charged with failure to pay fines (Hopkins County warrant). Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—A 17-year-old Dawson Springs male was cited March 23 at 45 Rosedale Court. He was charged with fourth-degree assault (domestic violence) with minor injury. Josh Travis was the charging officer, assisted by Officer Matt Forker and Hopkins County Sheriff’s Deputy Troy Gossett.

—Kyle B. McNeil, 27, 2250 Laffoon Trail, Madisonville, was arrested March 23 at the Hopkins County Detention Center. He was charged with probation violation for a felony offense. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Kimberly C. Hinton, 47, 125 Carroll Lane, was arrested March 23 on Alexander Street. She was charged with failure to appear (Hopkins County bench

warrant) and operating a motor vehicle on a suspended operator’s license. Capt. Craig Patterson was the charging officer.

—Billy J. Hall, 26, 45 Rosedale Court, Apt. 24, was arrested March 24 at Rosedale Court. He was charged with operating on a suspended or revoked license. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

—Christina L. Jones, 26, 45 Rosedale Court, Apt. 24, was arrested March 24 at Rosedale Court. She was charged with operating on a suspended or revoked license. Josh Travis was the charging officer.

A Dawson Springs woman was charged by the Madisonville Police Department.

—Joyce O. Gamble, 64, 195 Frederick Road, was charged March 25 with theft by unlawful taking.

Two local residents were charged recently by the Hopkins County Sheriff’s Department.

—Daniel Miller, 38, Ilsley Road, was charged March 16 with speeding, reckless driving, failure to use child restraint, wanton endangerment and failure for license to be in possession.

—Jean L. Weaver, 44, Meadows Hill Drive, was charged March 17 with eight counts of not having a prescription controlled substance in the proper container, careless driving and operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs.



ENJOYING a walk “to the store” on the new sidewalk and pedestrian bridge at the municipal park Monday, March 26, are Dwight and Jenny Bruce and their dog Snuggles.

Contractors Begin Repair On Eggners Ferry Bridge

The contractor hired by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to replace a missing span on the US 68/KY 80 Eggners Ferry Bridge at Aurora has started detailed engineering and design work required for production of steel needed for the repair.

A 322-foot span was knocked off the bridge on the evening of Jan. 26, when struck by the 8,200-ton cargo ship Delta Mariner. The crash severed an important link in the region’s economy.

Hall Contracting of Kentucky was the low bidder for a contract to build a replacement span and reopen the bridge by May 27, Memorial Day weekend, in time to save the summer tourism season that is crucial to the economy of the Jackson Purchase and lower Pennyryle regions.

Hall Contracting Vice-President Tom Roberts says his engineers are working out final details to allow steel to be fabricated to replace the missing span.

“We haven’t progressed to a point where the steel can be poured yet, but we are making progress,” Roberts said. “The steel has not been manufactured, but we’ll be working with the Transportation Cabinet to keep the public updated as the process advances toward fabrication.”

Roberts indicated that the raw steel will be manufactured, then shipped to the company’s in-house fabrication facility to be prepared for assembly.

“Once we have taken delivery of the steel we expect it to be drilled and fabricated at our facility in Louisville, piece by piece. The steel will then be shipped to a site near the bridge where it will be prepared for final assembly,” Roberts said.

In a surprise announcement on March 8, Gov. Steve Beshear announced that Hall Contracting of Kentucky had

been awarded a \$7 million contract to replace the missing span with a requirement that the work be completed by Memorial Day.

The bridge is a key link for tourism in the Kentucky-Barkley lakes region. It serves as the western entrance to the Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area which is among the region’s major attractions.

According to figures from 2011, direct expenditures by tourists contributed \$454 million to the 15 counties of Kentucky’s Western Lakes Region. The U.S. 68/KY 80 Eggners Ferry Bridge on average carries about 2,650 vehicles per day.

Hopkins Co. Health Dept. Issues Restaurant Report

The following restaurant inspection was conducted by the Hopkins County Health Department March 16–22.

A food service establishment must earn a minimum score of 85 with no critical violations in order to pass. Follow-up inspections of restaurants which do not meet that criteria will be conducted.

Dawson Pointe — 93
Major violation:
•Milk out of date.
Minor violations include:
•Milk cooler in need of cleaning
•Light shields needed
•Cooling units chipping/pitting in place.

Dawson Pointe (follow-up) — 97
Minor violations include:
•Light shields needed

•Milk cooler in need of cleaning
•Cooling units chipping/pitting in place.

Gill’s Fuel Mart (Nortonville) — 92
Minor violations include:
•Liquid spillage in bottom of cooler
•Eggs stored above chicken in cooler
•Foam containers stored on floor
•Thermometers needed in all cooling units
•Ceiling tile in poor repair in women’s restroom
•Liquid dripping from chicken at bottom of upright cooler.

Ideal Market (Hanson) — 100
No violations.

Tradewater Pointe — 100
No violations.

Four Die In Four Crashes On State Roads Last Week

Four people died in four separate crashes on Kentucky roads from March 19 through March 25.

Three of the fatalities involved motor vehicles, and one of the victims was not wearing a seat belt.

Single-fatality crashes occurred in Ballard, Nelson and Pike counties.

One pedestrian death occurred in Fayette County.

Through March 25, preliminary statistics indicate 136 people have lost their lives on Kentucky roads during 2012.

This is six fewer fatalities than reported for the same time period in 2011.

Of 119 motor vehicle fatalities, 70 victims were not wearing seat belts. Sixteen crashes involved commercial motor vehicles. Four crashes involved motorcycles, and two of the victims were not wearing helmets. Two crashes involved ATVs, and one victim was not wearing a helmet. Eleven pedestrians have died. Twenty-one deaths have resulted from crashes involving the suspected use of alcohol.

Elmo’s Creator Kevin Clash Featured In April On KET

Every day, millions tune in to “Sesame Street” to see one of the world’s most adored and recognizable characters — a furry red three-and-a-half-year-old monster named Elmo.

Yet, with all of Elmo’s fame, the man behind the icon is able to walk down the street without being recognized.

In the documentary “Independent Lens: Being Elmo: A Puppeteer’s Journey,” Elmo’s creator Kevin Clash discusses his childhood dream of working with his idol, Jim Henson.

The program airs on KET Monday, April 9, at 8 p.m.

Earlington Fire Department Receives Assistance Grant

The Earlington Fire Department has been awarded \$4,389 through the Assistance to Firefighters Grants from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield made the announcement March 21.

“These competitive fire-fighting grants help ensure that our first responders have the resources they need to serve our communities,” said Whitfield. “I congratulate the Earlington Fire Department on receiving this award.”

Sen. Rhoads Appointed To State Budget Committee

Senate Minority Whip Jerry P. Rhoads, D-Madisonville, was appointed to the state budget conference committee to finalize details of House Bills 265 and 269, the state spending plan.

“It is a privilege to be selected to serve on the committee that will work toward a compromise on the financial plan that will affect all Kentuckians,” said Rhoads. “I am optimistic that we will be able

to reach an agreement that will be the best economic plan for our state.”

Rhoads was chosen by Senate President David L. Williams, R-Burkesville, to represent the Senate Democratic Caucus as a member of the legislative conference committee.

Once the conference committee reaches an agreement, the bill will be sent back to its respective body to be voted upon. After it gains approval from both the Senate and the House of Representatives, the bill will be sent to Gov. Steve Beshear to be signed into law.

“As a member of Senate leadership, Senator Rhoads is a good choice to serve on the budget conference committee,” said Senate Democratic Floor Leader R.J. Palmer II, D-Winchester. “Senator Rhoads will take this opportunity to work toward a compromise that will benefit all the citizens of the commonwealth.”

Rhoads serves the 6th district, which includes Hopkins, Muhlenberg and Ohio counties.

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THESE young ladies took advantage of the summer-like weather Monday, March 26, to open a lemonade stand on the corner of Hamby Ave. and Russell St. Serving are (from left) Rachel Morse, Sloan Parker, Cindy Solomon and Lindsie Morse.

Weather Condition Awareness Is Vital For Storm Survival

The Pennyrile Regional Citizen Corps Council joined Gov. Steve Beshear and proclaimed March 2012 as Severe Storms Awareness Month, urging all Kentuckians to be prepared for severe weather.

We must all ask ourselves if we would be prepared if the lights went out. In the event of a power outage, something as simple as having a flashlight, radio and extra batteries available can make a difference.

Kentuckians face many weather related challenges throughout the year, from tornadoes, flooding, straight line winds, lightning and winter storms. Every household should be prepared to face these challenges at any given time.

During Gov. Beshear's first administration, Kentucky received 10 presidentially declared federal disasters, ranking us third in the nation. All these were weather related.

In May 2011 Kentuckians experienced unprecedented flooding, and many families are still rebuilding from flash floods that struck Eastern Kentucky in July 2010. Who will forget the January 2009 ice storm that left more than 700,000 customers without

power and more than 200,000 customers without water for days or weeks?

"Although state and local governments are ready to assist the public during times of emergencies and disasters, preparedness starts at home. In the event of large scale disasters, it may take time to respond immediately," said John W. Heltzel, director of Kentucky Division of Emergency Management.

Heltzel urges all Kentuckians to be aware of conditions and to take appropriate steps by having emergency kits and emergency plans.

- Be aware:**
- Know the weather forecasts in advance;
 - Own a battery backup NOAA Weather Alert Radio and battery (or crank) operated AM/FM radio for local broadcasts;
 - Stay tuned to local broadcasting stations;
 - Discuss conditions with family members and know their locations during times of potentially threatening conditions.

- Be prepared:**
- Discuss a plan with family and neighbors;
 - Review the plan periodically for necessary updates;

- Refresh emergency kits;
- Practice the plan with household members;
- Read and become familiar with owner's safety manuals of generators before using them.

- Have a plan:**
- Have written instructions for turning off utilities if authorities advise doing so;
 - Identify safe locations within the residence and long-term shelters within the community;
 - Have written contact information and local emergency contact phone numbers. Advise a contact of the plan;
 - Predetermine evacuation routes and identify where to go if told to evacuate;
 - Make backup plans for children who may be away from home;
 - Maintain a half tank of fuel in vehicles and move vehicles from under trees;
 - Keep an emergency kit in the vehicle;
 - Prepare a list of all prescription drugs.

- Make a kit:**
- First aid kit, essential medications, extra eyeglasses;
 - Canned food and can opener;
 - At least three gallons of water per person;
 - Protective clothing, rainwear and bedding;
 - Battery-powered (or crank) radio, flashlight and extra batteries;
 - Waterproof matches and candles;
 - Local phone book;
 - Special items for infants, elderly or disabled family members;
 - Extra set of car keys.

Pennyroyal Veterans Center Is Opened In Hopkinsville

By
Monica K. Smith
Kentucky New Era

After almost three years from the birth of the idea and after almost a year of construction the Pennyroyal Veterans Center opened in February in Hopkinsville with a ribbon cutting ceremony. More than 150 people attended the event which included an honor guard from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1913 and the singing of the national anthem by the gospel group Brumfield Family Tradition.

"From homelessness to self sufficiency, that's my trademark or my philosophy," said Howard Dixon, coordinator for the center. "We want to identify homeless veterans and provide them treatment whether that is substance abuse, mental health or job skills – all with the final goal of discharging them to their own living environment that they can pay for."

The center consists of 25 rooms, each housing two men, but far from looking like an institutionalized building, or a barracks building with cold tile floors and florescent lights, the center boasts a "homey" feel with warm wood floors, plenty of natural light let in through the windows and an operational fireplace near the entrance. It also includes a state-of-the-art kitchen, dining room, a free laundry facility, free wireless Internet, a comfortable common room and additional rooms that will host various programs within.

The rooms each have a bathroom and a kitchen area where veterans can make small meals and enjoy them at a table in the room. There are also rooms designed for those who require the use of a wheelchair. The doorframes are larger, the cabinets are lower and the bathrooms are designed to allow easy access with a device to call for assistance if needed. In addition,

each individual also has his own mailbox with a key.

"This is not just a homeless shelter," said Michael Munley, an Army veteran and a state service officer who helps veterans with a variety of issues including claims, employment and medical issues. "They will have programs that deal with drug rehab, education benefits – you can actually stay here and go through vocational rehab."

Veterans who wish to enter the center can either be referred to the center or stop by the center themselves. However, they will not be able to stay at the facility until Veterans Affairs deems them eligible. Dixon said there are tentative plans for another facility to assist homeless veterans as they wait to learn if they are eligible.

Once admitted, the veterans will receive three meals each day in addition to being provided clothes and toiletries. They will be evaluated, and based on their need they will enter a variety of programs designed to enable them to be individually successful.

Though the center is strictly

for male veterans, five beds will be available to women at the Trilogy Center for Women, a transitional living program for women.

Dixon hopes to be able to start admitting veterans to the center as soon as possible.

"There are not a lot of programs like this out there," Dixon said. "There isn't a model to follow so I am relying on my 23 years of experience in substance abuse training and mental health training to (design the programs). The exciting thing is we are going to be able to be flexible. If one thing doesn't work, we can try something else."

Those wishing to contribute to the program may do so in a number of ways. The primary way is through adopting a room. Each of the 25 rooms can be adopted by individuals or groups who can then decorate the rooms or donate \$500 with which the center can purchase the items needed such as bed sheets, towels and clothing.

For more information visit www.pennyroyalcenter.org or call 270-887-5099.

Free Book Offers Advice To Adults Returning To School

Kentucky adults considering returning to college have a free resource to help them make decisions about higher education.

"Adults Returning to School" is published by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA), the state agency that administers Kentucky student financial aid programs and provides college planning materials.

The book provides information about entrance exams, financial aid programs and Kentucky colleges and universities. It also includes information about adult education programs and General Edu-

cational Development (GED) testing centers, as well as other state programs that can help adult students.

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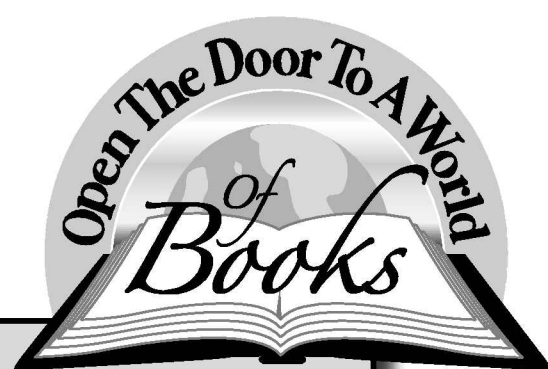
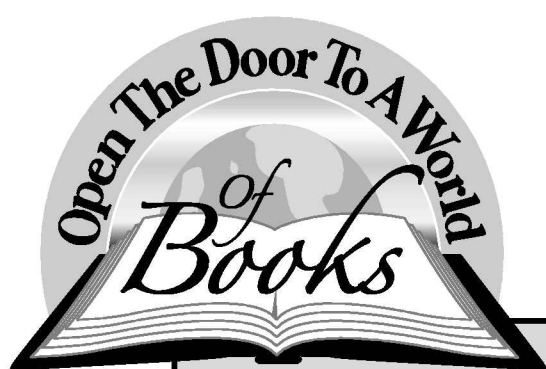
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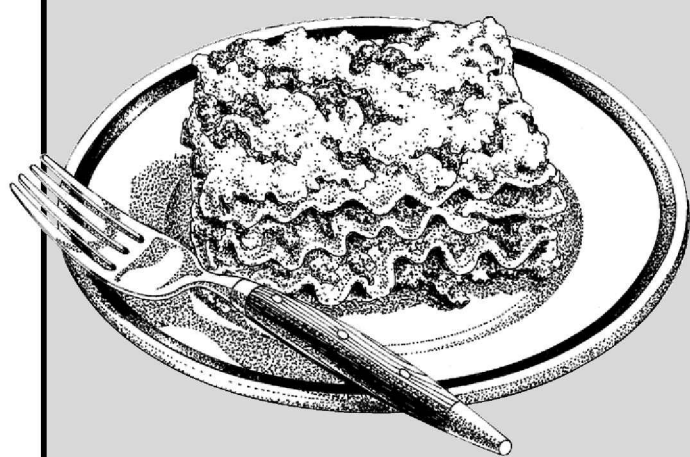
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By Scott

Hold Your Calls During The Game

Even though Kentucky’s two flagship college basketball teams have played every year since 1983, this year’s second matchup Saturday is something all basketball fans in Kentucky are looking forward to. It is also the first time Kentucky and Louisville have faced each other two times in the same season since the 1983-84 season. Kentucky won both those games and holds a 29-14 advantage in the all-time series.

With Kentucky’s win over Baylor and Louisville’s win over Florida, the stage was set for the winner of the U of L/UK game to advance to the national championship game Monday night.

The teams have met four times during the NCAA Tournament, in 1951, 1953, 1983 and 1984. The 1983 game, won by Louisville, will always be known as “The Dream Game.” That dream game went into overtime. The next year, Kentucky got revenge by beating their in-state rival.

The two teams came close to meeting in the championship game in 1975. Kentucky beat Syracuse to advance to the final and Louisville played UCLA. However, the Bruins rained on the bluegrass state’s parade and defeated the Cardinals, then went on to defeat the Wildcats in Coach John Wooden’s final year.

This is the first time two teams from the same state have faced each other in the Final Four since Cincinnati and Ohio State met in the championship game in 1962.

The game begins just after 5 p.m. Saturday. Please no phone calls should be made throughout the state of Kentucky between 5 and 8 p.m. unless the caller knows it is either (a) a TV timeout and the call will be quick; (b) during halftime and the call will not be of a long duration; or (c) following the game, but only, if the caller knows the callee’s team has won or to express condolences to the loser.

Most people in Dawson Springs are either Cardinal fans or Wildcat fans and which ever team they choose to support they generally despise the other.

While driving around the community late Monday afternoon searching for pictures for the paper, there were several homeowners who wanted to express which team was their favorite. One of the notable fans is Jerol Miller who places an inflatable cat in his yard on the day of any Kentucky Wildcat basketball game.

But while looking for fans, there were a couple of Louisville fans who disappointed, with absolutely nothing at their houses to indicate which team they will be rooting for.

Steve Scott and Jeff Miller each are devoted Louisville Cardinal fans, but neither’s home had even one little pennant or door knob or anything viewable from the street to indicate they even have a preference. This was shocking.

The so-called experts have all picked Kentucky not only to win Saturday, but also to win

Monday’s game against whichever team they face, Kansas or Ohio State.

On the other hand, Louisville hasn’t been favored in a game in the NCAA Tournament since they played New Mexico and Davidson during the first weekend of the tournament.

Before that, in the Big East Tournament they were underdogs in their last three games of that tournament.

And before that, the end of the regular season was why they were considered underdogs in so many tournament games as they closed the year with three losses in four games.

But all they did in all their tournament games was win.

They could win Saturday night. The game will be interesting, but whichever team wins, there will be one team from Kentucky in the championship game, and that’s the team I’ll be hoping wins the 2012 NCAA Basketball Championship. I really hope it’s the Big Blue — but I can be for the Cardinals.

For any fans still considering making the trip to New Orleans, the ticket prices are going up and hotel rooms are running out. What rooms are available will be sold at top dollar. For instance, a story in Tuesday’s Courier-Journal said the Hyatt in New Orleans had a few suites still available at \$749 per night with a minimum of four nights.

Do they consider that price gouging?

Tickets for the semifinal game only are averaging \$377 per ticket with some fetching almost \$900 — each.

But even at that price, many of the approximately 80,000 on hand will be wearing red or blue and will have found a way — because there was a will — to see their beloved team at the Final Four.

The rest of these, courtesy of Chip in Princeton, may be funny no matter who wins the basketball game...

—Part of the man’s job as a 911 dispatcher was to interrogate callers who were in various states of panic so he can send the appropriate emergency equipment.

One day a woman called to say that a family member had fallen and needed to go to a hospital.

After finding out where she lived and assuring her that the paramedics would arrive shortly, he asked her, “Do you know what caused the fall?”

“No,” the woman nervously instantly replied. “What?”

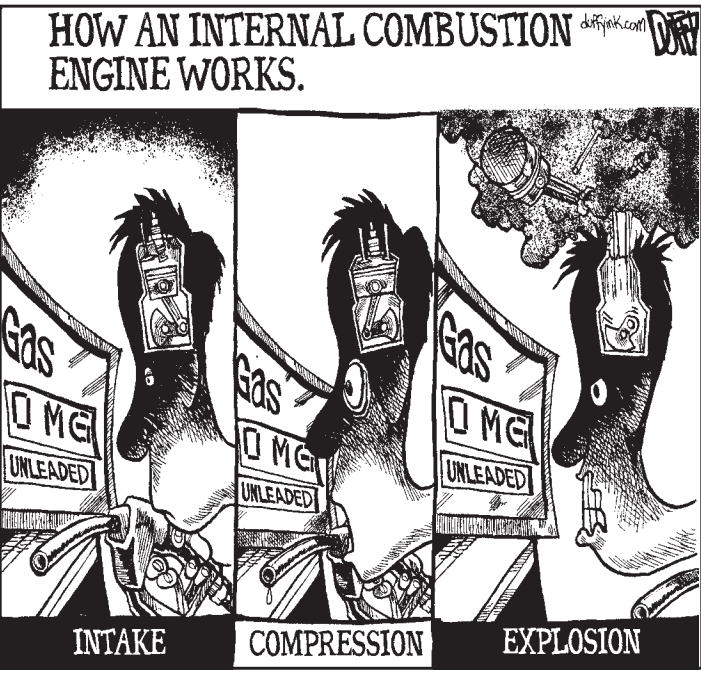
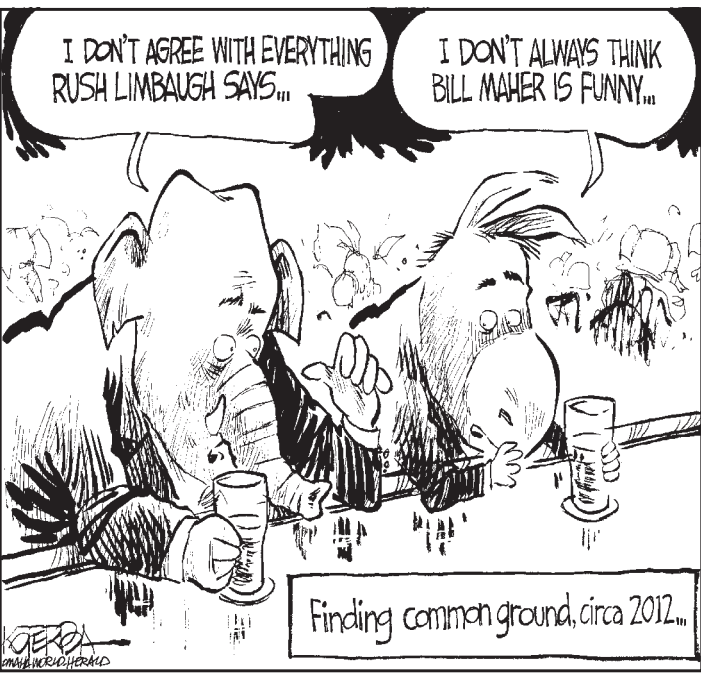
—The woman, an Indiana basketball fan, was on board a small two-seater airplane when suddenly the pilot died.

Not knowing how to fly a plane she grabbed the radio. “Mayday, mayday! My pilot just died!”

Ground control received her call for help and answered back: “Don’t worry, ma’am. I’ll take you down, just do as I say. First, I need you to give me your height and position.”

“I’m 5-foot-2 and sitting in the right front seat.”

Ground control: “Repeat after me; Our Father ... which art in heaven.”



COMMENTARIES

Superintendent Defends Supervision

By Alexis Seymore
Dawson Springs Independent School System Superintendent

As I have said before, bullying occurs to some extent in all schools and at all ages. This fact is borne out by many surveys and studies. If we accept the fact that bullying does occur in all schools, it would seem logical that there are several things that most schools have in common.

Probably the most common reason for bullying that occurs in school is the lack of supervision of students. Students tend to learn very quickly the places that are out of sight of teachers, and bullying occurs where teachers and administrators are not. It is very important that all areas of school buildings be patrolled regularly, but not in patterns that students come to recognize. In schools with good supervision, teachers are assigned to supervise and patrol all areas of the building, especially those areas where students can be out of sight.

Another reason that bullying occurs in schools is the schools

themselves are too crowded. Overcrowded schools are obviously much more difficult to supervise. Teachers and administrators simply cannot see everything that may be going on. In schools that are overfilled, the halls and restrooms are difficult to get through because of the sheer number of bodies. Students can’t get to their lockers and classes, and tempers get short. As teenagers tend to do, they say things to each other that they really may not mean.

I readily admit that I am a proponent of smaller schools for several reasons—supervision being one of them. Judging from the comments on Facebook and other social media sites, there are people who don’t agree with me, but I think our faculty and staff do a great job of supervising our students and looking out for their welfare. We try to look out for the students and prevent or stop situations before they get out of hand. Of course, we don’t please everyone and never will. I believe that bullying does occur everywhere, but I also believe that we do a great job of minimizing it.

Coal Severance Is Explained

By Ben Waide
State Representative
10th District

I have been asked many times just where does the coal severance money go. I thought I would take this opportunity to explain. It’s a very complex process and even the most experienced legislators I know

usually have to reference their notes. So, here we go.

The coal severance taxes are collected and go into the General Fund (GF). For fiscal year 2011-2012, that amount is \$323,172,070.

OFF THE TOP

There are some funds which are taken right off the top. This year that amount was

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OTHER EDITORS

UK - U Of L Is A Dream Rivalry

In the chronicles of rivalries, some stand out more than others.

Coke and Pepsi.
The Hatfields and the McCoys.

Edison and Tesla.
The Beatles and the Stones.
Steinem and Schlafly.
Kennedy and Nixon.
Roadrunner and Wile E. Coyote.

Connery and Moore and Brosnan and Craig.

Grant and Lee.
Athens and Sparta.

And in sports, the arena with perhaps the most spirited rivalries, who can forget Bird and Johnson, Ali and Frazier, Kerrigan and Harding, Seabiscuit and War Admiral, Palmer and Nicklaus, King and Riggs and Borg and McEnroe?

This week, another rivalry for the ages, a homegrown epic, goes full-tilt in the Bluegrass State and on the national stage:

UK and U of L.

The University of Kentucky Wildcats and the University of Louisville Cardinals men’s basketball teams go head to head, toe to toe, in a March Madness, Final Four match-up, the Blue and Red likes of which haven’t been seen since ... well, ever, never, whatever.

As the sports writers are pointing out, in the words of this particular nugget from Yahoo!: “Kentucky and Louisville have met 43 times since 1913 and every year since 1983, but the Bluegrass State rivals have never faced each other in a Final Four. In fact, they’ve only met four times in the NCAA tournament, splitting four meetings with Louisville winning the most famous one — the 1983 ‘Dream Game’ in the Elite Eight that essentially re-

launched the rivalry.”

To get to this red-hot moment in the UK/U of L rivalry — they meet Saturday in New Orleans; the winner goes to the NCAA finals against either Kansas or Ohio State — Kentucky had to keep on keeping on with its No. 1-caliber performances. U of L had to scrap and claw its way back after its tumble from top rankings earlier in the season. Very different paths to the same destination close to the summit of their sport, as the Wildcats clinched their spot in the Final Four after schooling the Baylor Bears in a blowout and the Cards prevailed in a nail-biter over the Florida Gators.

Frankly, what’s going to happen on the court Saturday is the least of our worries. The teams have practices, drills, coaches, doctors and trainers to keep their minds occupied, their eyes on the ball and their fetters fine.

We’re wondering if the rest of Kentucky can hold it together before, during and after the Son of Dream Game because the rivalry of Cats and Cards partisans deserves to be on the all-time list, too.

If states could wag and wiggle, Kentucky would be all over the map right about now. Talk about fan-demonium.

As we count down to game day, and celebrate the excellence of effort that put both teams in the Final Four, let us all remember what Sir Charles Barkley, basketball sage, said about keeping the rivalry on the court, and only during the game, where and when it belongs:

“I don’t hate anyone, at least not for more than 48 minutes, barring overtime.”

—The Courier-Journal

LOOKING BACK

10, 25 & 50 Years Ago

10 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, March 28, 2002.)

The city on Tuesday morning received another \$50,000 in Renaissance Kentucky money for downtown revitalization projects.

The Dawson Springs High School Panther Band earned a distinguished rating in the Kentucky Music Educators Association Concert Band Festival.

Mary Elizabeth Thomas was born Dec. 10, at Manassas, Va. She weighed six pounds and six ounces.

Blake Patrick Fletcher was born Friday, March 8 at Regional Medical Center in Madisonville. He weighed seven pounds and 12 ounces.

The funeral for Michael “Dewberry” Johnson, 45, was held Tuesday afternoon, March 26, at Beshear Funeral Home.

25 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, April 2, 1987.)

Weslyn Gabe Purdy was born Tuesday, March 17, at Regional Medical Center in Madisonville. He weighed six pounds and nine ounces.

Britney Shea Roberts was born Friday, March 20, at Regional Medical Center in Madisonville. She weighed seven pounds and two ounces.

Johnna Ramsey, 14, member of the First Baptist Church was winner of the Little Bethel Association and also state winner and will represent Kentucky in the National Youth Bible Drill in New Mexico in July.

Funeral for Mrs. Stella Imogene Riley, 65, was held Tuesday afternoon at Beshear Funeral Home.

50 Years Ago

(From the files of The Dawson Springs Progress, Thursday, March 29, 1962.)

After 27 years as postmaster of the dawson Springs post office G. Baxter Ramsey will close his office for the last time Saturday.

Pamela Wallace celebrated her sixth birthday with a party at a First Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon, March 13.

Colene Monroe celebrated her 11th birthday with a party at her home Friday, March 16.

Funeral services were held for Milem Jackson Edwards, 79, Tuesday afternoon at the Beshear Funeral Home.

MOMENTS IN TIME

• On April 1, 1700, English pranksters begin popularizing the annual tradition of playing April Fool’s jokes. In keeping with the fun, in 1957 the BBC reported that Swiss farmers were experiencing a record spaghetti crop and showed footage of people harvesting noodles from trees.

• On March 30, 1867, the U.S. government puts the finishing touches a deal to purchase Alaska. It paid Alaska’s owner, Russia, \$7.2 million, or roughly 2 cents per acre of land. Among many Republicans the deal was derisively known as “Seward’s Folly,” after U.S. Secretary of State William H. Seward.

• On March 27, 1964, the strongest earthquake in Ameri-

can history, measuring 8.4 on the Richter scale, slams southern Alaska, creating a deadly tsunami. Some 125 people were killed and thousands injured. The tidal wave devastated towns along the Gulf of Alaska and caused carnage in British Columbia, Canada, Hawaii and the West Coast of the United States.

• On March 28, 1979, the worst accident in the history of the U.S. nuclear power industry begins when a pressure valve in the Unit-2 reactor at Three Mile Island in Pennsylvania fails to close. As engineers struggled to understand what had happened the reactor came within less than an hour of a complete meltdown. (c) 2012 King Features Synd., Inc.

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Coal Severance Is Explained

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\$25,272,500. The first \$19 million goes to the worker’s compensation fund. Then, \$872,500 goes to benefit an osteopathic medicine scholarship fund. Students at the University of Pikeville benefit from this. The Trover Clinic receives a \$1 million grant as they provide the family practice residency program for medical students in Madisonville. Finally, the state Department of Mine Safety gets \$4.4 million because in 2007, the General Assembly required that they double the number of mine inspectors. It also supports the requirement that mine rescue teams be located within 60 miles of every mine.

With that money coming right off the top, we have \$297,899,570 remaining.

THE 50/50 SPLIT

This \$297,899,570 is split into two parts. The first 50% (\$148,949,785) goes directly into the GF. The other 50% is designated for distribution. It is divided between the Local Government Economic Assistance Fund (LGEAF) (\$44,684,936 or 15%) and the Local Government Economic Development Fund (LGEDF) (\$104,264,850 or 35%).

THE LGEAF

This money, which is 15% of the second 50, is combined with 50% of the severance taxes from each of the taxed commodities including oil, natural gas and other solid minerals. It is granted to counties and cities for economic development projects according to the guidelines in KRS 42.455. I know that sounds confusing, but that is the statute where you will find the types of projects you can spend the money on.

THE LGEDF

This money is divided between line item expenses commonly called “off the middle” expenses, Single County Distributions and MultiCounty Distributions.

THE LGEDF — OFF THE MIDDLE

Ok, we have described taking money off the top. Now I will tell you about the money that is taken “off the middle.”

This money, which is 35% of the second 50, is distributed to various budget line items and programs. There are just a few so here we go:

Read to Achieve, \$3 million; School Technology for University of Louisville’s school computer and data processing project, \$2.5 million;

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University of Kentucky’s Mine Engineering Scholarship Program, \$300,000; Debt Service – School Facility Construction Commission (SFCC) – 2003 HB269 \$54.7 million Bond Funds, \$4,617,900; Debt Service – Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) – 2003 HB269 \$54.8 million Bond Funds (20year bond), \$4,091,400; Debt Service – Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) – 2006 HB380 \$50 million Bond Funds(A) (20-year bond) and \$50 million Bond Funds(B) (20-year bond), \$8,562,300; Debt Service – Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) – 2008 \$50 million Bond Funds and HB514 - \$25 million Bond Funds (20-year bond), \$7,538,000; Debt Service – Kentucky Infrastructure Authority (KIA) – 2005 \$80 million Bond Funds (20-year bond), \$694,200; The University of Kentucky’s Robinson Scholar’s Program, \$1 million; Mine Safety, \$952,000; Money to pay salary and benefits for administration staff who administer the LGEDF program from the Department of Local Government and Kentucky Infrastructure Authority, \$1,039,700.

These distributions total \$34,295,500.

Now, with this money taken “off the middle,” there is \$69,969,350 left to distribute.

THE LGEDF – Single County Distribution

The Single County Distributions accounts for 66% of the remaining \$69,969,350. A portion (33%) is based on tax collected and 33% is based on mining industry statistics. This is where the coal severance requests from county judge executives in concert with state legislators is allocated from.

THE LGEDF – MultiCounty Distribution “Off the Bottom”

The MultiCounty money is often called money taken “off the bottom.” Line item appropriations are made and the remaining net amount is available for MultiCounty grants benefiting two or more coal-producing counties according to KRS 42.4592. Appropriations for fiscal year 11-12 include:

Drug courts which are diversionary programs run by the Judicial Branch, \$1,800,000; Operation Unite which is a drug enforcement and education program located in the south eastern portion of the state, \$2,000,000; Energy Research and Development which includes a \$1 million carve out for the University of Kentucky and the remaining funds being granted to UK and other colleges, \$3,500,000; Multi-County Regional Industrial Park Authorities which pays the maintenance and insurance costs for 12 industrial parks created during the Patton administration, \$20,000; Debt Service KIA2005 HB267- \$80 million Bond Funds 20-year bonds, \$5,778,500. These line items total \$13,278,500. This amount is added to the \$6,954,125 granted for MultiCounty projects.

The remaining \$9,364,481 is either distributed in grants to counties and cities or carried over to the next year.

The purpose of the coal severance tax is to spur economic development which will create jobs so that when the coal industry jobs eventually disappear, there will be plenty of jobs remaining. I hope this is helpful.



THE redbud and dogwood trees blooming on Meadows Hill Monday, March 26, attest to the fact that spring is here.

Free GED Tests Offered In State Through June 30

Two important education and workforce credential tests will be free to eligible Kentuckians on a first-come, first-served basis through June 30 or until funds are expended. Free GED tests and assessments to earn a National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) are sponsored by Kentucky Adult Education, a unit of the Council on Postsecondary Education, and the Department of Workforce Investment, an agency of the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet, using federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA) incentive funding.

“We are pleased to offer free testing because it will help many Kentuckians re-energize their education and careers,” said Council on Postsecondary Education President Bob King. “For many Kentuckians,

earning a GED is a necessary first step toward college and a career with a family-sustaining wage.”

The GED tests provide adults who did not finish high school with the opportunity to certify their attainment of high school-level academic knowledge and skills. Free GED classes are available through local adult education programs in all 120 Kentucky counties.

Free testing in 2011 led to a 10 percent increase in the number of Kentuckians earning a GED. A total of 10,294 GEDs were earned in Kentucky in 2010-11.

“The current economy is tough for everyone but has an even greater impact if you are looking for work and do not have your high school diploma,” said Reecie D. Stagnolia, vice president, Kentucky

Adult Education. “We see this as a way to help the individual student and to help increase educational attainment in Kentucky at the same time.”

Kentuckians interested in taking advantage of free classes and the time-limited free GED testing should contact the adult education center in their county to discuss how to get started. To find the local adult education center, call (800) 928-7323 or visit www.KnowHow2GoKy.org.


The NCRC is a national certification that indicates work readiness by administering three WorkKeys assessments: applied mathematics, locating information and reading for information. These specific workplace skills are needed in 77 percent of all jobs profiled for WorkKeys testing.

“NCRC is the quantifiable tool that allows employers and economic developers to measure terms such as ‘we need a qualified workforce’ into a credential that means the same thing in Bowling Green, Ohio, Bowling Green, Va., and Bowling Green, Ky.,” said Beth Brinly, commissioner of the Department of Workforce Investment.

Eligible individuals can obtain free NCRC testing through local One-Stop Career Centers and adult education centers. This offer is time and space limited, so those interested should schedule through one of these testing locations early and should request a “free NCRC.” To find a One-Stop Career Center, visit www.oet.ky.gov/des/wis/wfservices.htm.

National Doctors’ Day

Jennie Stuart Medical Center salutes the 72 members of our medical staff for their high-quality care for National Doctors’ Day, Friday, March 30.



Several members of the staff are giving free lectures this spring, including:

- The latest treatments in sleep medicine**
by Manoj Majmudar, MD, FCCP on Thursday, April 5 at JSMC.
- Weight-loss surgery**
by Gerame Wells, MD, FACS on Tuesday, April 17, 6 p.m., at the John L. Street Public Library, Cadiz, and Monday, April 23 at JSMC.
- Overactive bladder**
by Jenny Franke, MD on Monday, April 30 at JSMC.

All talks are set for 6 p.m. in the Cotthoff Learning Center, lower level of the Doctors Pavilion at JSMC.

Please call to reserve a seat, (800) 877-JSMC (800-887-5762). Lectures and other events are updated frequently on our website, jsmc.org.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Administration, dedicated nurses and other employees across our health system at the hospital, Jennie Stuart Ambulatory Surgery Campus, JSMC Medical Imaging, JSMC Express Lab, JSMC Rehabilitation & Sports Medicine, JSMC Occupational Health, and BluegrassMD, we offer a heartfelt “thank-you,” to the physicians and other staff who choose to affiliate with JSMC.

We especially salute medical staff officers Verrabhadra Chirravuri, MD, president of the medical staff; and Michael Clark, MD, president-elect, for their steady leadership of the talented medical staff.

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A sure sign of spring is the phlox growing in Ann Vandiver's yard on East Keigan St. on Monday, March 26.

Weather Could Be Costly For Farmers

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Central Kentucky, the crop has developed to the point where freeze or frost could cause damage.

“Now as for corn—I know farmers are itching to plant corn,” he said. “But in 2007, Kentucky growers had to replant 100,000 acres of corn. So, even though the temperatures are great, we need to wait to plant a bit longer.”

UK horticultural specialist John Strang reported many horticultural crops are running three to four weeks ahead of schedule with fruit crop bloom because of unseasonably warm weather.

“Temperatures of 25 to 26 now would cause serious damage to peach, plum and pear crops,” he said. “Temperatures of 24 to 25 would cause serious damage to the apple crop. As bloom development progresses, the flowers will continue to lose hardiness. I usually do not begin to feel like we have avoided most of our frost chances until late April, so we have a long way to go.”

Strang said commercial strawberry growers can use floating row covers to provide a few degrees of frost protection, and they may use overhead sprinkling to protect tender blooms if the predicted temperature drop is not too low and wind is minimal.

“Home strawberry growers can rake the straw back over the blooms for protection or cover the strawberries with a blanket,” he said. “Anchoring

the edges of the blanket down will help retain the long wave radiation or heat radiating from the soil and prevent frost injury. Covering with plastic provides little protection, and the practice of hosing the frost off of fruit crops early in the morning is not helpful.”

He added that fruit growers should concentrate on applying their early fungicide and insecticide sprays as the crops are moving through floral developmental stages very rapidly.

Planting Should Be Delayed

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Because of the warm weather, many farmers have readied their fields for this growing season, spraying burndown herbicides and applying anhydrous ammonia earlier-than-normal. Planting is all that's left for many producers.

In addition to the weather, Lee said producers vividly remember spring 2011 when flooding and continuous rain seriously delayed corn and soybean planting and would like to get this crop in the ground in case history repeats itself.

According to the National Climate Data Center, the vast majority of the state has a 90-percent chance of experiencing its last freeze after April 1. If this event occurs, young corn seedlings could be severely damaged or killed.

For Lee and others who follow Kentucky weather, this warm weather pattern is reminiscent of 2007 when the state had two weeks in late March with highs above 70 degrees. In early April of that year, low temperatures did not get above 20 degrees for five or six days.

“Corn planted the last two weeks of March 2007 emerged in less than seven days, grew rapidly and was no match for the cold weather,” Lee said. “Farmers replanted 100,000 acres or more of corn that year.”

Producers may want to consult their crop insurance agent to see what their early planting date is, which is the date their full insurance benefits become active. For much of the state, that date is April 1.

“If you plant before the earliest planting date, those acres are not eligible for crop insurance replant payments,” said Cory Walters, UK agricultural economist.

Priddy said temperatures have been averaging about 20 degrees warmer than normal across the state, with precipitation also a bit over the average. So after a winter that wasn't and a spring that seems to be fleeting, Priddy suggested that growers stay alert and not get too comfortable in the warm days.

“There's still plenty of time for a damaging freeze or frost,” he said. “We just want our Kentucky growers to be prepared.”

Screening Can Save Lives, Money

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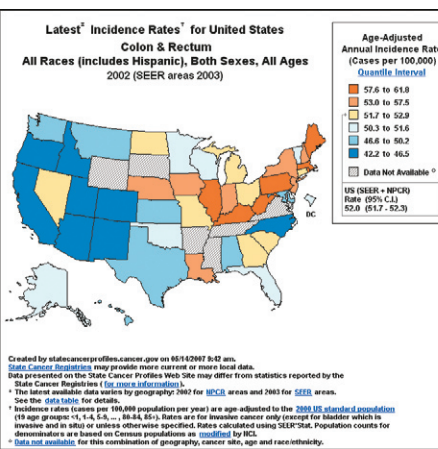
cer increases with age, younger people should not believe they are immune. Genetics is a risk factor in developing the disease. Anyone with a family history of colon cancer, as well as anyone who experiencing symptoms such as a change in bowel habits or sudden weight loss, should be screened regardless of age.

Having a colonoscopy can reduce the average person's risk of dying from colon cancer by 90 percent and when diagnosed early, the majority of colon cancers are completely curable.

Experts at the American Institute for Cancer Research

say if current trends continue, one in 20 Americans will eventually be diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Yet the latest research shows Americans can prevent many of these cancers through lifestyle changes.

Among the recommendations for healthy habits which will reduce the risk of colon and other cancers are moderate exercise several days a week; maintaining a healthy weight and watching out for belly fat; eat-



CODY BIDDLE plays croquet Monday, March 26, against his mother Stephanie Biddle in the backyard of Phillip and Donna Parker, his grandparents's, house on Alexander Street.

Gov. Beshear And GE Unveil New Freezer Fridge

Gov. Steve Beshear joined company and community leaders for the March 20 grand opening of GE's new factory at Louisville's Appliance Park, the second GE facility to open within a month and a half at the manufacturing complex.

The new factory, which will

support 600 jobs, will manufacture GE's French door bottom freezer refrigerator. The new line is a result of GE's \$250 million investment in bottom freezer technology and \$800 million investment to upgrade Appliance Park in Louisville.

Last month, GE commenced

the grand opening of its Geo-Spring™ Hybrid Water Heater manufacturing facility at Appliance Park in Louisville. The hybrid water heater combines energy-saving heat-pump technology with traditional electric heating elements used in most conventional water heaters.



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Good Defense Earns Softball Team Win

The Panther softball team won its first game of the young season 12-1 on March 24 at Trigg County in a game called after five innings by the mercy rule.

The Panthers improved to 1-2 with the win while Trigg County dropped to 1-1.

Panther seventh-grader Courtney Copeland earned the complete game win on the mound. She struck out two while walking three, hitting one and giving up four hits.

"I thought she did really well in pitching her first complete game," Panther head coach Kent Workman

said. "Her pitch count was 64 pitches which is phenomenal for no more experience than she has."

The coach was also happy with his team's defensive effort, its first game of the season with no errors.

"We looked really good on defense," he said "We moved some peo-

ple around. I saw some good things out of everybody."

The Panthers scored four in the opening inning. Lead-off hitter Jalyn Walls reached on an error which also advanced her to second. A passed ball moved her to third. After the first out, Kristin Peek drove her in with a

triple. Bradleigh Bruch followed with a grounder to first. The play went to the plate, but Peek was safe on a bad throw which allowed Bruch to reach second. Whitney Copeland followed with a single, and Kristen Austin

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KRISTEN PEEK nails a two-out RBI double during the Panther softball team's season opener Monday, March 19, against Lyon County. The Lyons beat the Panthers 15-10.

Todd County Pitcher Holds Softball Team To 2 Hits, 2 Runs

Two runs scored with only two hits is good run production, but it's not enough hits to produce enough runs when the other team puts up 10 runs on 10 hits.

That's what happened to the Panther softball team March 20 at Todd County. It was the second loss in two games for the Panthers and the second win in two games for the Rebels as the Panthers fell 10-2.

Sophomore Halyn Burden pitched a complete game and picked up the loss.

It was Todd County's second win on the season in two games.

"We didn't hit the ball very well," Panther head coach Kent Workman said. "Their pitcher kept us off balance all night."

The Panthers struck out 11 times against the Todd County pitcher.

"We weren't patient enough and went chasing trying to hit pitches we

should have let go," Workman added.

One bright point for the Panthers was their defensive effort as they only committed two errors.

Both Panther errors occurred in the second inning but only led to one Rebel run. The home team went on to score five runs in the second, one in the third, one in the fourth and three in the sixth.

The Panthers scored both their runs in the fifth. After one out, Whitney Copeland walked and advanced to third on Alexis Smith's double. Courtney Copeland bunted to third and the throw pulled the first baseman off the base which allowed both runners to score. Courtney Copeland collided with the first baseman and had to leave the game but wasn't hurt seriously.

Panther junior Kristin Peek had the other hit for the visitors in the fourth

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Baseball Team Starts Strong But Can't Maintain Momentum

"Let's play two," were the words of the Chicago Cubs' Ernie Banks.

Play two is what the Panther baseball team did March 23 in the Tiger Classic at Murray against Fulton City and Fulton County.

In the opener against Fulton City the Panthers scored two in the bottom of the first for a 2-0 lead.

Matt Snell led off the game with a walk and advanced to second when Todd Bullock reached base on an error. Both runners moved up on a pitcher's error and scored on Jacob Adams' one-out single.

Fulton City scored a lone run in the fifth to make it a 2-1 game going into the seventh inning.

However, four runs in the top of the seventh for Fulton City provided them with the 5-2 win.

"Defensively, we made plays in the field and maintained the lead," head coach Adam Locke said. "In the seventh, we made some defensive mistakes, walked a few guys and ended up giving up four runs."

Jacob Adams went three for three for the Panthers; Bullock was three for four with a double; and Snell was two for four with a double.

Snell started the game for the Panthers and was relieved by Gage Brewer, who suffered the loss.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Ful. City	0	0	0	1	0	4		5	6	5
Panthers	2	0	0	0	0	0		2	10	1

In the second game against Fulton County, the game was back and forth the entire way but Fulton County pulled away to pin a 12-7 loss on the Panthers.

"Any time we fell behind, we responded at the plate," Locke said. "Just like in the first game, we had a lead and gave up some runs at the end."

Fulton County scored two in the top of the first but the Panthers scored one in the first, two in the second and one in the third to go ahead 4-2.

Snell led off with a double and scored on Brad Puckett's one-out single.

In the second, T.J. Puckett led the inning off with a single and stole second. An out later, Travis Giffin moved him to third with a single. Puckett then scored on an error. After Giffin stole second and advanced to third on a throw, Snell drove him in with a single.

In the third, Brad Puckett delivered a one-out double and advanced on a ground out by Jacob Adams. Brewer then drove him in with a single.

Fulton County then scored three in the top of the fourth to go ahead 5-4, but the Panthers answered in their half of the inning with two runs to go on top 6-5.

Snell hit a two-out single and stole second. Bullock smacked an RBI double and then stole third. He scored

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SOPHOMORE HALYN BURDEN throws out a pitch Monday, March 19.

Good Pitching, Bad Defense Equals A Loss

It's disheartening to a softball pitcher when she pitches well with no walks, but her defense commits seven errors behind her.

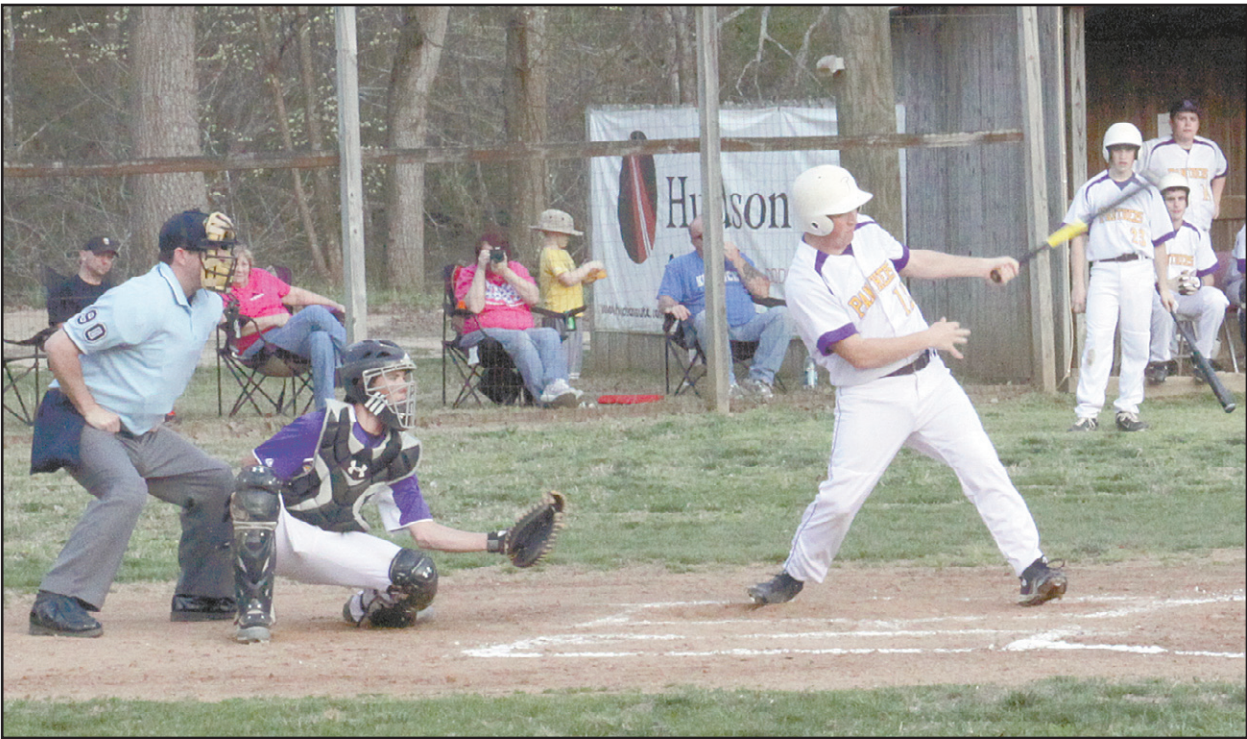
That's what happened to Panther hurler Halyn Burden Tuesday when the Panthers were beaten 10-5 at Webster County.

"Seven errors!" head coach Kent Workman said when asked about his team's performance. "Our pitching didn't hurt us."

Burden is a first-year varsity pitcher who has worked to find her control so far during this young season, and it seems she may have found it now.

The Panthers struck first, scoring two runs in the top of the third. Courtney Copeland had a lead-off single which Jalyn Walls followed with another single. Both base runners stole a base before India Robinson delivered a two-RBI double but was thrown out trying for third.

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TRAVIS GIFFIN attempts to connect with a pitch during the Panthers' season opener against Lyon County Monday, March 19. The Lyons handed the Panthers a 17-6 loss.

Madisonville North Too Strong For Panther Baseball Team

Seventh District foe Madisonville-North Hopkins was too much for the Panther baseball team Monday.

The Panthers lost 30-0 at Madisonville in a game shortened by the 10-run rule.

The Panthers managed one hit on the day, a leadoff double by Todd Bullock in the top of the fourth inning.

Two other Panthers reached base on errors as the Maroon pitchers

struck out 10 with no walks.

North Hopkins scored eight in the first, 17 in the second, three in the third and two in the fourth on 10 hits.

The Panthers committed nine errors while their pitchers gave up 19 walks.

The Panthers looked for their first win of the season when they traveled to Benton to play Christian Fellowship Tuesday (the score was not

known at press time).

The next home game is at Riverside Park Thursday (today) against district foe Hopkins County Central.

During spring break week, the Panthers will travel to Russellville, Warren East and Hart County for games April 2, 3 and 4.

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
Panthers	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	9
N. Hopkins	8	17	3	2	X	30	10	2



GAGE BREWER pitches to a player during the Panther baseball team's season opener against Lyon County Monday, March 19.

Half Kentucky, No Tobacco Road At Final Four

SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



BOB WATKINS

The Final Four has its Cinderella, and we have a Bluegrass State celebration.

What about the Final Four as a marketplace?

If the word great could be sold by a street vendor instead of thrown around like Digger Phelps' predictions, you could still buy one for 12 cents.

We wonder if an enterprising hustler has recognized the T-shirt potential of: "No Tobacco Road Team? ... u gotta be kiddin' me!"

On the other hand, if you owned copyrights to the phrase "Dribble Drive" this week, you could sell it for enough cash to buy top-grade gas to drive your eight-cylinder car free for a year, plus a tune-up and new windshield wipers.

All these novelties and the Big Dance in the Big Easy means it will

be Bigger Fun for Kentuckians than ever because...

- Four teams are in New Orleans, none named Dookie or Tar Heel.

- Opie Taylor-voiced Roy Williams will glad-hand with Jayhawkers and accept his familiar condolences while Mike Krzyzewski will be recruiting. That leaves all the clever answers to questions for Bill Self, Thad Matta and two of the game's best spinners of all time, who in a general election year, represent a Blue and Red State.

What's the geography this Final Four week? Take out a map of the USA and trace college basketball's traditional Bermuda Triangle. Ready? From the top, Columbus, Ohio, turn left, go past St. Louis to Lawrence, Kansas. Got that? Next, draw a line from Lawrence to Whitesburg, Kentucky. Not Lexington, not Louisville, but Whitesburg.

A line from Lawrence to Whitesburg just about covers it, right?

College basketball's Bermuda Triangle belongs to us. By half anyway.

Next, the mini-drama.

John Calipari and Rick Pitino do not exchange Christmas cards. Each shows up in New Orleans with 11 coaching wins each against the other. Both will be quizzed about one-and-done, and all will watch to see who

grows testy first. Meanwhile, there will be a flammable headline or two that will sell out the racks.

Talking head experts say the Final Four field features three good teams and one great one. In this section of the Bermuda Triangle, fans already know which is which and will watch carefully what Kentucky's governor wears in New Orleans and which side of the arena he positions himself.

Personality and politics aside, the teams...

Kansas and Ohio State are typical corn bread and beans Final Four-ists. The are big, tough and physical inside, quick and splashy outside. One team or the other, on its biggest day of any year, will shoot 20 percent, cry at the post-game podium and go home. On Monday, CBS will align its mind-numbing blizzard of commercials and Saturday's survivor will face, if form holds, a Kentucky team Kansas or Ohio State will approach with pay-back in mind.

Louisville. Fans and CBS love a Cinderella even if it's two-time NCAA title holder Louisville. Bonus, the network boys and girls get college hoops' premier quote man in front of a camera, Rick Pitino. The very best.

Pitino's team is personification of its coach. A feisty collection of mostly shootists which the coach implores "Don't just be happy to be here."

Context of how far Cinderella has come for this slipper is important.

Consider an answer to this question: Will the Cardinal fan please stand up who believed Louisville would be in the Final Four following events of February 29?

Answer: Nobody. The Cards laid an egg in the Yum Center when South Florida held them to 51 points in a 58-51 game. U of L lost three of its last four regular season games, and fans were howling for Pitino's head. This week, the conversation includes, "Why isn't our coach in the Hall of Fame?"

Nice team, Louisville, with a frenzied style, blue collar courage, pistol-pete willingness to shoot, and no surrender.

Then there's Kentucky.

To say John Calipari's team has evolved into a juggernaut is like saying the Titanic was a boat.

Baylor coach Scott Drew spoke for the majority after his team was drummed into submission: "Was that team as good as I expected? Kentucky was actually better than I thought."

Better ... and better ... and better.

Kentucky is playing at a level so magnificent, sportswriters may be at the brink of exhausting their store of adjectives, verbs and newly minted nouns. Nah.

Consider the analysis of Anthony Davis

"It's kind of hard to play us," he said.

After two exhibitions and 40

games, straightforward enough, don't you think?

This Kentucky team is a team stunning by its intelligence, efficiency, unselfishness and focus on mission all driven by the man in the blue suit.

For more than four decades, I've witnessed and written about basketball teams in the Bluegrass State including five of Kentucky's seven national championship teams. None rises to the level of this one in all phases.

Personally, I avoid the word great, yet for a college basketball team, this is one.

Louisville versus Kentucky? The Cardinals grew and grew, had a nice run, but Kentucky plays Monday night.

Cautionary postscript. Before the Big Finale in the Big Easy this weekend, we ought to remember college hoops has had magnificent teams before, odds-on favorites called juggernaut and unbeatable. Among them, Nevada Las Vegas (1991), Georgetown (1985), Houston (1983) and Indiana (1975). I leave it to you to guess what happened to all of them.

For today, for this weekend, from Columbus, Ohio, to Lawrence, Kan., to Whitesburg, embrace the precious present of basketball's Bermuda Triangle.

And so it goes.

You can reach Bob Watkins at sprtsinky@aol.com.

KENTUCKY AFIELD OUTDOORS

Neighborhood Lake Fishing Comes To Hopkins County

(Editor's note: This is the sixth installment of a seven week series titled "March Fishing Madness" profiling productive early fishing spots across Kentucky.)

By Art Lander Jr.

A recent survey conducted at eight Fishing in Neighborhoods (FINs) lakes across Kentucky found the program both popular and helpful in recruiting new anglers.

"Feedback has been positive," said Fisheries Biologist Dane Balsman, who manages the program for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "About 85 percent of the anglers surveyed rated their overall fishing trip satisfaction as good or excellent."

The FINs program, which started in 2006 with five pilot lakes, now includes 35 lakes in 22 counties, with the addition

of Madisonville City Park Lake this spring. The 14-acre impoundment in Hopkins County brings the total acreage enrolled in the program to 194.5.

Other encouraging findings from the survey were that 10 percent of anglers had never previously bought a fishing license and 25 percent had not bought a fishing license the previous year.

"Through the program, we are retaining previous license buyers and recruiting new ones," said Balsman. "That's one of our goals."

Fishing license sales, excise taxes on fishing equipment and a 25 percent in-kind match from local governments fund the FINs program and annual stockings of fish.

Creating good fishing opportunities close to cities is a main goal of the program. Balsman said about 2.2 million people, or about half of

Kentucky's population, live in the 22 counties where the FINs lakes are located.

This year the plan is to stock more than 230,000 fish – 132,500 nine- to 12-inch rainbow trout and 98,650 12- to 16-inch catfish. These fish are large enough to be harvested at the time they are stocked.

The special creel and size limits in effect on the FINs lakes spread out fish harvest, providing fishing opportunities for the maximum number of anglers.

The standardized regulations of all 35 FINs lakes include a daily limit of five rainbow trout with no minimum size limit and a daily limit of four channel and blue catfish with no minimum size limit. There is a one-fish daily limit on largemouth bass with a 15-inch minimum size limit and a 15-fish daily limit on bluegill and other sunfish with no minimum size limit.

Next spring, anglers will have a new fish to add to their stringers.

"From our survey we found that a lot of anglers like to catch sunfish, so we're adding hybrid bluegill to the stocking plan," said Balsman. "It's a sterile, fast-growing cross between a bluegill and a green sunfish. Production has already started at the Pfeiffer Hatchery."

The hybrid bluegills will be stocked beginning next spring on a lake-by-lake basis with some fish held in reserve for special events.

Despite all the successes, the future poses some challenges for the FINs program.

"We're close to the saturation point on the number of lakes we can have in the program," said Balsman. "This is because we're near capacity for the number of fish we can produce at our hatcheries."

For more detailed information on Kentucky's FINs program, including lake maps and directions, fish stocking schedules and fishing regulations, visit the department's Web site at fw.ky.gov and click onto the "Fishing in Neighborhoods" logo.

Check out our other features

of the March Fishing Madness Kickoff on a new page at the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Web site at fw.ky.gov. If you plan to fish,

you'll need to buy a new 2012 Kentucky fishing license, available in the sporting goods section of department stores and tackle

shops. You may also buy one by visiting the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife homepage at fw.ky.gov or by calling 1-877-598-2401.

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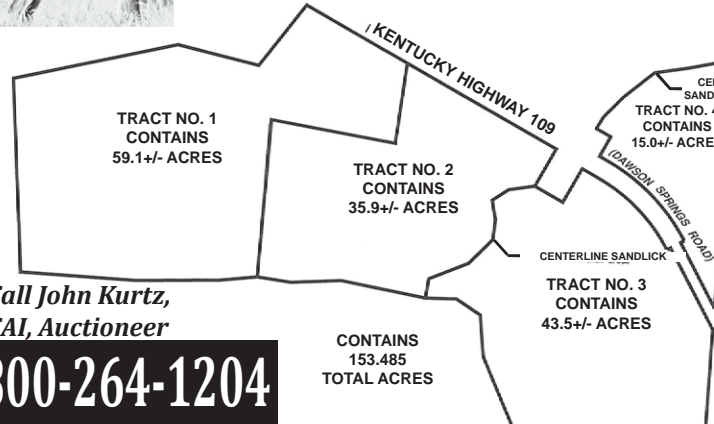
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BLAKE MITCHELL puts up a shot during a recent Youth League game.

Good Defense Earns Win

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drove in Bruch with a sacrifice bunt. Whitney Copeland then scored on a pass ball. Trigg County scored its lone run in the bottom of the first. Bruch scored again for the Panthers in the third. After she doubled to lead off the inning she advanced to third when

Austin reached on an error. Alexis Smith followed with a ground out to third which scored Bruch. The Panthers scored two more in the fourth. Burden led off with a single, advancing to second on a throw. After an out India Robinson singled Burden to third then stole second. Peek then drove

in both runners with a bunt to the pitcher. A five-run fifth inning put the Panthers more than 10 runs ahead to end the game when they held Trigg scoreless in their half of the inning. All five runs scored with two outs. Whitney Copeland and Austin scored when Burden reached on an error. Jalyn Walls drove

in Burden with a single. Robinson doubled to score Walls and later scored on Peek's single. The Panthers pounded out eight hits off what Workman said was the best pitcher they had faced this year.

	1	2	3	4	5	R	H	E
Panthers	4	0	1	2	5	12	8	0
Trigg Co.	1	0	0	0	0	1	4	6

Bad Defense Hurts Softball Team

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Webster County went ahead 3-2 with three runs in their part of the third, with the help of two Panther errors. However, the Panthers tied the game in the fourth when Alexis Smith hit a two-out double and scored after a passed ball, and Burden reached base on an error.

In the bottom of the fifth with the score tied at three, Webster County scored three with the help of two more Panther errors, then scored four in the bottom of the sixth to make the score 10-3. The Panthers tried to rally in the seventh and did score two, but it wasn't enough. Courtney Copeland reached on an error, but Burden was

thrown out at third on the play after reaching with a one-out double. Walls walked, and Robinson singled to load the bases. Kristin Peek then hit a two-RBI double for the Panthers' final score. Robinson led the Panthers' attack with two hits including the two-RBI double. Webster County improved to 5-4 with the win.

The loss dropped the Panthers' record to 1-3 entering today's (Thursday) game at McLean County. The Panthers then play Hopkinsville on the road Friday before returning home April 3 to face Hopkins County Central.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Panthers	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	5	8	7
Webster	0	0	3	0	3	4	X	10	10	3

Baseball Team Starts Strong

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when Brad Puckett reached on an error. However, Fulton County scored four in the fifth for a 9-6 lead. One more run in the sixth for the Panthers made the score 9-7. Kevin Cummins led off

with a single and was moved to third on Snell's single and later scored when Bullock grounded out to short. Fulton County put the game away with three in the seventh for the 12-7 final score. Snell was four for four with a double for the Panthers. Brad Puckett and T.J. Puckett each

had two hits with a double. T.J. Puckett started the game and was given the loss. He was relieved by Bullock. "We have played three games and competed in all three," Locke said. "We have to learn how to close out games. We could easily be 3-0 instead of 0-3. We have to start throw-

ing more strikes. Defensively, we have to make plays more consistently. We are getting great production out of the top of the lineup. We need to get more out of the bottom half."

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Ful. Co.	2	0	0	3	4	0	3	12	10	2
Panthers	1	2	1	2	0	1	0	7	13	6

Todd Pitcher Holds Team To Just 2 Hits

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inning. "If we can keep our errors low and the walks to a minimum, plus be more patient at bat, we will be all right," Workman said.

The Panthers' junior varsity softball team won their game 4-1.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E
Panthers	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2	2	2
Todd Co.	0	5	1	1	0	3	x	10	10	0

MS Baseball Game Ends In 8-8 Tie

The Panther middle school baseball team and McLean County Middle School played to an 8-8 tie through five innings March 20 at Riverside Park. Dakota Jones was the starting pitcher and was relieved by Dylan Simpson in the fourth

inning. McLean County scored two in the first, one in the second, three in the third and two in the fourth. The Panthers scored two in the first, four in the third and two more in the fourth. They had runners on second and

third in the final inning but left them stranded. The Panthers had three hits while McLean County had 10. Simpson had one hit and scored three runs and Cameron Orten scored three runs and had an RBI double to lead the Panthers' offensive attack. Isa-

iah Abbott entered in the fifth inning and hit an RBI single for the Panthers which tied the game. The next game for the middle school Panthers is scheduled for Saturday against University Heights at Riverside Park. Game time is noon.

Commission Proposes Fishing, Bear Season Changes

The Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission proposed several modifications to hunting and fishing regulations at its March quarterly meeting. The commission recommends all hunting, fishing and boating regulations for approval by the General Assembly and approves all expenditures by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. All recommendations must be approved by legislators before they become law. In wildlife-related business, the commission proposed to the General Assembly to extend black bear gun and archery/crossbow season from two days to three days. The proposed 2012 bear season would run from Dec. 8 through Dec. 10. In addition, Bell County would be added to the Bear Zone for the 2012 season. The harvest quota of 10 bears would remain unchanged. Commissioners also voted to establish three separate seasons to allow hunters to chase bears with dogs. One of the seasons would allow hunters to

take bears using dogs. Commission members proposed the establishment of three zones in Eastern Kentucky totaling nearly 109,000 acres for chasing bears. The East Bear Chase/Take Zone would encompass 19,584 acres in Letcher County while the Central Bear Chase/Take Zone would consist of 45,263 acres in Harlan County. The West Bear Chase/Take Zone would include 43,660 acres of public land within Bell County. Groups could not exceed five hunters and eight dogs. Chase hours would be from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. The first season proposed by commission members is an early chase-only season for black bears from Aug. 1 to Aug. 31. This season would only be open to residents who purchase an online \$30 bear chase permit (youth bear permits are \$10). The commission also recommended a dog season for bear harvest that will only occur if the existing quota of

10 bears per season is not met. If the quota of 10 bears is met, this middle season would be a chase-only season. This proposed chase/take season would be open only to Kentucky residents who purchase an online bear chase permit for that year. The season would open the Monday after gun and archery season for bears concludes and continue for five days. The 2012 season would open Dec. 17 and close Dec. 21. The commission also proposed a five-day late chase-only season for bears. In 2012, this season would open Dec. 24 and continue through Dec. 28. In other wildlife-related business, the commission proposed allowing more flexibility to train bird dogs outside the current Dog Training Area Permit System. Pen-reared bobwhite quail could be harvested for the purpose of dog training on private lands from Aug. 15 through May 15. Individuals must be licensed and fill out an application to participate. They must possess proof of the sale/own-

ership of the birds or a captive wildlife permit for pen-reared bobwhite quail and make sure that the training area is free of wild quail. The pen-reared bobwhite quail must be banded. We want to promote quail hunting and dog training and at the same time protect the wild resource, said Karen Waldrop, director of wildlife for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. The commission also recommended increasing the number of pen-reared birds an individual may possess for personal use without having a non-commercial captive wildlife permit. In the final wildlife-related business, the commission proposed to hold a pheasant quota hunt on 6,775-acre Yellowbank WMA in Breckinridge County. This hunt is in addition to the quota pheasant hunts on Green River Lake WMA and Clay WMA. In fisheries-related business, the commission recommended lowering the minimum size limit for striped bass on Lake Cumberland from 24 inches

to 22 inches. This regulation could take effect in early summer if approved by legislators. Commission members also proposed several additional changes to fisheries regulations. If approved by legislators, the changes would take effect on March 1, 2013. These include: - A protective slot limit for smallmouth and largemouth bass in Meade County's Otter Creek. Anglers would have to immediately release all smallmouth and largemouth bass measuring between 12 to 16 inches. Anglers could keep six smallmouth or largemouth bass daily, but only one could be longer than 16 inches. - A 12-inch minimum size limit on channel catfish caught from Reformatory Lake in Oldham County, McNeely Lake in Jefferson County and Lake Reba in Madison County. A five-year research project will commence on these lakes to determine if the minimum size limit on these lakes results in more and bigger channel catfish.

- Allowing boaters to use gasoline boat motors at idle speed only on Goose, Island and South lakes on the Peabody Wildlife Management Area (WMA). Boaters currently may only use electric trolling motors. The next regular Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting will be held at 8 a.m. (Eastern time), Friday, June 1, at #1 Sportsmans Lane off U.S. 60 in Frankfort. Anyone interested in addressing the commission must notify the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's commissioners office in writing at least 30 days in advance to be considered for placement on the meeting agenda. People who are hearing impaired and plan to attend the meeting should contact Kentucky Fish and Wildlife at least 10 days in advance and the agency will provide a translator. To request to address the commission, write to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, Commissioner Dr. Jon Gassett, #1 Sportsmans Lane, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.



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Extension Services Help Kentuckians With Savings

By Katie Pratt

Saving money is sometimes easier said than done, especially in a difficult economy. Specialists and agents with the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service are helping people across the state learn how they can save money through the Kentucky Saves program in partnership with the Kentucky Jump\$tart Coalition.

According to the Bureau of Economic Analysis in the U.S. Department of Commerce, the personal savings rate for Americans in December 2011 was 4 percent.

Saving money can help a family reach their financial goals and have money on hand in case of unexpected events such as a job loss or medical illness, said Jennifer Hunter, UK assistant extension professor for family finance.

“Building an emergency fund is one of the most important reasons for families to save, but families should also set savings goals, such as saving for a vacation, holiday spending, college funds and retirement,” she said. “Each saving goal should be incorporated into the monthly household budget, to help avoid debt when these expenses occur.”

Kentucky Saves Week was Feb. 19-25, but family and consumer sciences extension agents took things to the next level by offering programs on building personal savings, paying off debt and financial management throughout the month of February and the year.

“County extension agents are essential in sharing and spreading the word about Kentucky Saves,” Hunter said. “The Kentucky Saves program will grow by getting local community businesses, financial institutions and organizations involved. The county extension agents are the key to building those relationships.”

Gina Noe, Madison County

family and consumer sciences extension agent, partnered with local banks and the Kentucky Department of Financial Institutions to offer four weekly workshops on saving strategies with topics such as couponing, building better credit, budgeting and home buying and borrowing. She also worked with Park Community Federal Credit Union to develop a display about Kentucky Saves at their Richmond branch.

Theresa Howard, LaRue County family and consumer sciences extension agent, has partnered with the local newspaper to promote savings. In addition to her weekly columns that have focused on financial management topics throughout this month, the newspaper is asking its readers to send in their favorite savings tips and will share those responses in a special section of the newspaper focusing on financial management.

Howard also partnered with the LaRue County Public Library to display information about Kentucky Saves as well as information on financial management topics available through the library.

“Kentucky Saves is just another tool that agents can use to share information related to savings and finances with our clients,” Howard said. “It reminds them how to have financially savvy families and about savings opportunities available to them in our communities.”

Howard is one of the many FCS agents across the state who have partnered with their 4-H youth development agent to help young people become savers through the Kentucky Saves piggy bank design contest. In the contest, 4-H’ers use their creativity to design a piggy bank. Winning piggy banks from each of the state’s seven extension districts were sent to Frankfort where they were on display in the Capitol Rotunda.

OBITUARIES

Services Are Held Friday For Virginia Cotton, 95

A graveside service for Virginia “Tinsy” Cotton, 95, of Symsonia, formerly of Dawson Springs, will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow (Friday) at Piney Grove Cemetery.

The Rev. Faris Sahawneh will officiate. Collier Funeral Home in Benton is in charge of arrangements.

Miss Cotton died March 27, 2012, at her residence.

She was born Dec. 19, 1916, in Hopkins County, to the late Gain H. and Jennie Morris Cotton.

She was a member of the Charleston Missionary Baptist Church and a former foster grandparent for the Dawson Springs School System.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by six brothers, Cecil Cotton, Eugene Cotton, Omer Cotton, Melvin Cotton and Garland Cotton; a sister, Elsie Thomas; and one grandchild.

Survivors include five daughters, Sandra Lantrip and



VIRGINIA COTTON

Patsy Convoy, both Symsonia, Phyllis Helmkamp, Marion, Rebecca Blanchard, Gilbertsville, and Debra Brown, Orange Park, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one step great-grandchild; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Harmony Baptist Church, 5351 State Route 1684, Paducah, KY 42001 or Lourdes Hospice, P.O. Box 7100, Paducah, KY 42002

Services Are Held Friday For Harold W. Haile, 84

The funeral for Harold W. Haile, 84, of Princeton, was held Friday at Morgan’s Funeral Home.

Randall Phillips officiated. Burial was in Cross Roads Cemetery.

Haile died at 7:20 p.m. March 20, 2012, at his home.

He was born Nov. 7, 1927, in Hopkins County, to the late William G. and Anna Mae Hensley Haile.

He was a retired welder with the Chrysler Corp. and a member of the Princeton Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Odell Williams Haile, Princeton; three brothers, Dwight Haile, Dawson Springs, Wendell Haile, Caldwell County, and Edwin Haile, Indianapolis, Ind.; and two sisters, Sue Saben, Columbus, Ga., and Myra Joyce Baker, Birmingham, Ala.

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Lafayette Baptist To Host Four-Day Revival Service

Lafayette Baptist Church, 5325 Niles Road, will hold a revival April 1–4. Sunday services will take place at 11 a.m., with Greg Gaddis from Grapevine Baptist as guest speaker, and 6 p.m., with Len Young from Mortons Gap First Baptist.

All other services will be

at 7 p.m. Guest speakers are as follows: Monday, Jimmy Lantrip from Richland Baptist; Tuesday, Jonathan Harralson from Johnson Island; Wednesday, Johnnie Davis from Pleasant Valley.

The Rev. Thurmon Harris, church pastor, invites the public to attend.

Dayspring Church To Host Easter Sunrise Service Sunday, April 8

The annual community Easter sunrise service will be held at 7 a.m. April 8 at Dayspring Assembly of God.

Ken Argo, youth minister at Dayspring, will be the speaker.

An offering for DAPS will be taken.

Kentucky Poultry Farmers Composting Chicken Litter

By Katie Pratt

Chickens produce a lot of poop. In fact, poultry farmers struggle to find ways to dispose of or reuse chicken litter in a way that’s friendly to the environment.

In Marshall County, two poultry farmers are using the litter in an innovative way that not only is environmentally sensitive but is making them a little money on the side.

Doug and Dianna Hall are composting the chicken litter and selling the finished product as a composted soil amendment landscapers, home gardeners and personnel of parks and golf courses can use to enrich and improve their soils.

The Halls came up with the idea and connected with Lincoln Martin, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service agriculture and natural resource agent in Marshall County. He was able to arrange a visit for them with a producer who was doing the same thing in southern Tennessee.

“They built upon some things they learned that day, improved some things, eliminated others and applied intelligence, knowledge and research to find out what it might take

to do this,” Martin said. “I don’t think they’ve looked back since.”

Determining the correct formula for composting the litter and eliminating its smell didn’t happen overnight. The Halls began experimenting with different compost mixtures in 2009 and daily monitored the temperature and moisture content of the compost until they found a formula that worked for them. Dianna Hall also consulted Iin Handayani, an agronomist and her graduate school adviser at Murray State University.

The Halls wanted to keep costs as low as possible for the composting project. They used equipment they had already purchased for the poultry operation to start the composting process. Doug Hall collected old farm equipment from area farmers that they no longer had a use for and created a machine that sifts the finished product to give it a uniform appearance and allow for easy packaging. Compost that doesn’t fit the uniform standards is sent back through the process.

“It was a lot of trial and error, but the main thing is it was low budget,” Doug Hall said. “We’re not looking at a lot of money and equipment to get our product out.”

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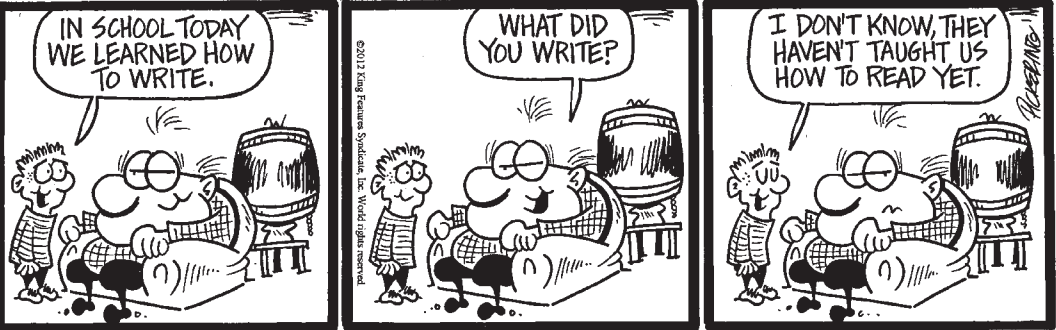
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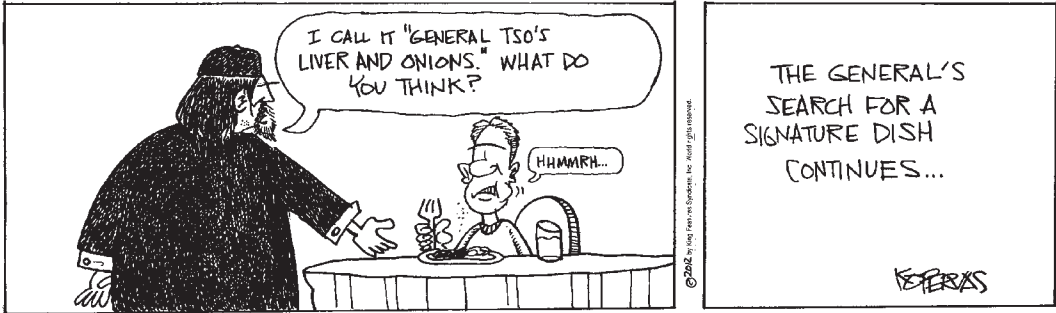
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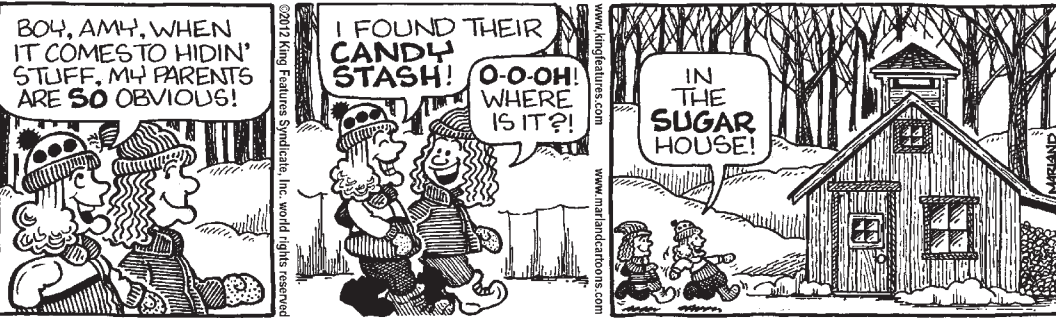
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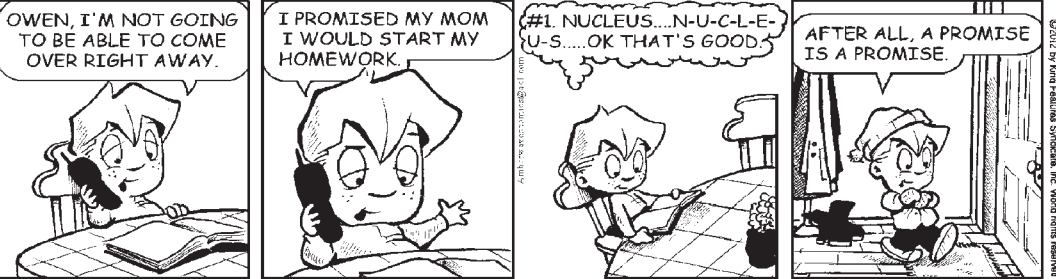
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by Linda Thistle

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To Your Good Health

By Paul G. Donohue, M.D.

Gain Control Over Dandruff
DEAR DR. DONOHUE: How does one eliminate dandruff? I have had it for months and have tried many, many shampoos without making any progress. I can't wear a dark suit coat. I look like I've just come in from a snow blizzard. Please give me some sort of program that I can follow. --H.H.

ANSWER: Dandruff's official name is seborrheic (SEB-uh-REE-ik) dermatitis. "Dermatitis" indicates skin inflammation. Seborrhea is an overproduction of oil, sebum. Many with dandruff deny they have an oily scalp. They say their scalp is dry. That can be the case, but seborrheic dermatitis flourishes on skin with an abundance of oil glands. The scalp is one of those places, but not the only place. The flakes that land on your shoulders are sloughed-off skin cells. Dandruff usually is quite itchy. Scratching dislodges the dead skin cells.

A yeast with the name Malassezia contributes to the problem. It's probably not the actual cause, but it aids and abets the dandruff process.

I'm sure you have tried many shampoos. Let me suggest ones that contain salicylic acid, zinc or selenium. Scalpicin, Head

and Shoulders and Selsun Blue are three brand names. There are others. The way you use the shampoo is as important as your choice of shampoo. Wash your hair daily with one of these products. Massage it into your scalp, and let the shampoo remain on your scalp for five minutes. Do this for a minimum of three weeks. If you have an improvement, you can cut back on your shampooing to every other day.

If there has been no improvement, then get a shampoo that attacks the Malassezia yeast. Nizoral A-D (1 percent ketoconazole) is a brand name you can find easily. Do the daily shampoo drill with one of these for three weeks.

If after all this you still have dandruff, you need a doctor's intervention. The doctor can prescribe more powerful agents, ones that have cortisone that can calm the inflamed skin.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My husband has just been told he has spasmodic dystonia. He has had two Botox injections. They made it worse at first but then better. Friends and family have never heard of it. Would you give us an explanation of it in layman's terms? --T.W.

ANSWER: Spasmodic dystonia messes up the voice.

People often believe they have laryngitis from a virus. They don't; they have a cramping of the muscles that control their vocal cords. Their voices crack while saying a word, or become weak and breathy, or sound as though they are being choked. Sometimes it seems like the affected person has developed a stutter. The condition usually arises between the ages of 30 and 50. Its cause is unknown.

An ear, nose and throat doctor can make a diagnosis by viewing the affected person's vocal cords and seeing how they are misbehaving. Botox can put an end to the vocal muscles' spasms. Treatment lasts for about three months, and then another injection is given.

Contact the National Spasmodic Dystonia Association (www.dysphonia.org or 800-795-6732) for detailed information and for notifications of any new treatments.

Dr. Donohue regrets that he is unable to answer individual letters, but he will incorporate them in his column whenever possible. Readers may write him or request an order form of available health newsletters at P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

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123 Unkempt
124 "Vissi d'—" ("Tosca" aria)

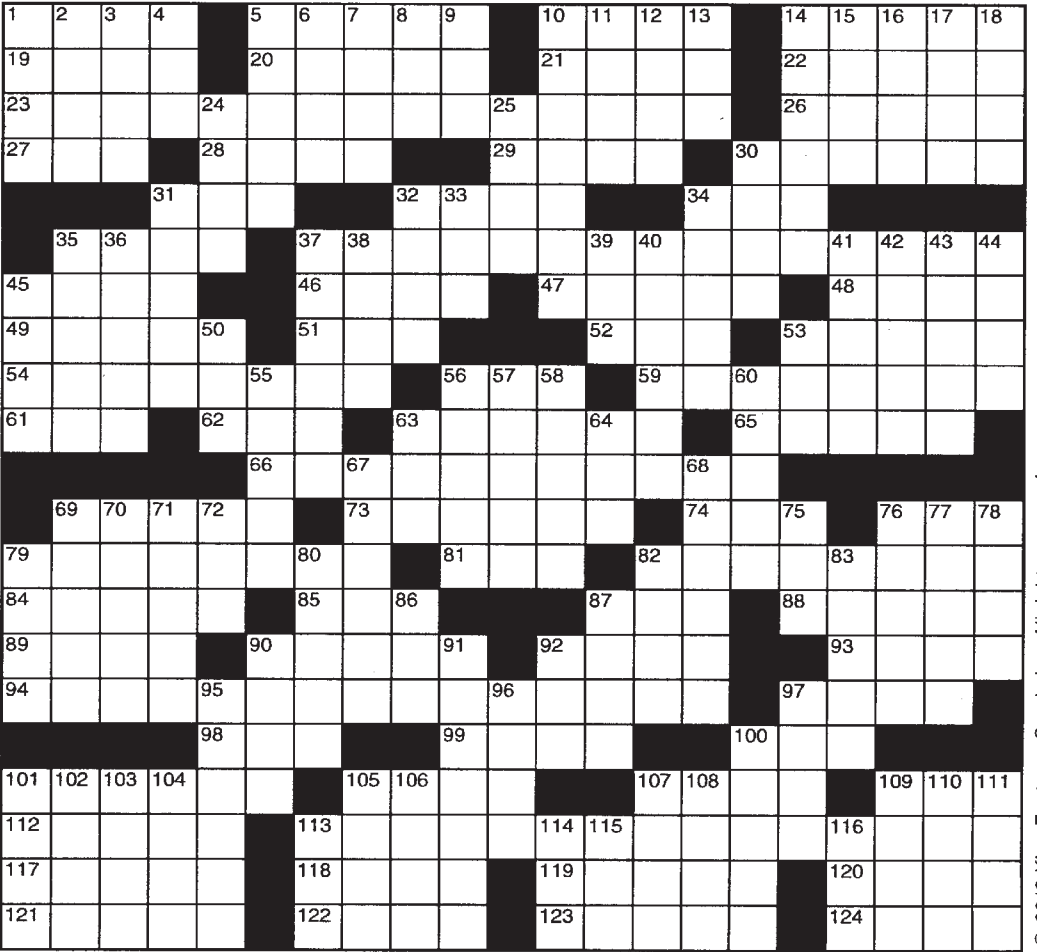
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- 1 Sport
2 O'Brien or Skinner
3 Mortgage, e.g.

- 4 Beer barrel
5 Baseball's Derek
6 Shaft
7 Freshen a fuchsia
8 Cover girl
9 Kapaa keepsake
10 Auto transaction
11 Actress Sumter
12 Fall birthstone
13 Craving
14 Lack
15 "— Lama Ding Dong" ('61 tune)
16 Prayer finale
17 Hong —
18 "The NeverEnding Story" author
24 — Office
25 Regret audibly
30 In the know
31 Nero's instrument
32 Duplicate
33 Savored the seitan
34 Fall flower
35 David of "Dark Shadows"
36 Too tubby
37 Twist and turn
38 Bee flat?

- 39 Born
40 You'll get a kick out of it
41 Texas landmark
42 Symbol
43 Buttercream, e.g.
44 Laramie or Sumter
45 Devour
46 Dostoevsky
50 — carte
53 "Fee, Fi, Fo, — . . ."
55 Leading man?
56 Container
57 Arm bones
58 Annie of "Designing Women"
60 Jets and Sharks
63 Opening
64 UK honor
67 Delayed
68 Worn down
69 Cugat
70 Mississippi or Missouri
71 New York city
72 Bk. offerings
75 It's in the bag
76 Skilled
77 Romeo and Juliet
78 Banjo locale
80 Register

- 82 Hogan or Hindemith
83 Perfect
86 Word with baby or snake
87 Horner's fruit
90 Sensed
91 New Jersey town
92 Adversary
95 One who no's best?
96 "What a relief!"
97 Charlatan
100 Uncool
101 Hard to find
102 Miasma
103 Portland
104 Rohmer or Carmen
105 Sign of sanctity
106 "Glad All —" ('64 hit)
107 Carpenter's tool
108 Knight's quaff
109 Kind of pitcher
110 "Huh?"
111 Bronte heroine
113 Horse hash
114 Endorses
115 Duncan's denial
116 "Jurassic Park" stuff



SOAP BUBBLES

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Liam felt guilty after Steffy announced that she was flying to Aspen to cope with her heartbreak. Hope confided in Brooke about her problem with being intimate with Liam. Eric and Stephanie informed their kids that they were once again legally married. Hope finally came clean to Dr. Stacy about how her mother's scandalous love life has impacted her own. Marcus and Dayzee announced their engagement to their loved ones. Hope decided to be more discreet about her relationship with Liam after one of her admirers confronted her about being with a married man. Hope was further embarrassed when a photo of her and Liam was leaked to the tabloids. Wait to See: The Forresters celebrate a special anniversary. Karen Spencer arrives with daughter, Caroline, in tow.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES

Rafe volunteered to stay with Nicole for a day, and the two of them bonded over their troubled love life. EJ soon dropped by and mistook their closeness for something more than it was. Later, Carrie and Rafe made a splash by arriving at the Brady Pub together. EJ's first act as mayor was to have Jennifer and Abe arrested for tampering with the ballots.



Kelly Monaco is "Sam" on "General Hospital"

Kate confronted Sami about being the company mole. Austin hoped that he could save his marriage after finding out that he didn't sleep with Abigail after all. Stefano asked John and Hope to steal the Faberge egg. Wait to See: Hope doesn't remember how to be Gina. Rafe mistakenly believes that Carrie and Austin are back together.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Sam tried to explain to Jason why she didn't tell him that Robin died in the explosion. John McBain had no intention of leaving Port Charles despite Dante's insistence. Noah arrived in town to help Patrick through his grieving process. Michael was drawn to Starr while Sam found her-

self intrigued by John. Jason and Elizabeth had their first meaningful conversation in a while. Anna gave Noah a piece of her mind. Everyone tried to tell Maxie that Robin's death wasn't her fault. Spinelli unearthed a clue from Franco's DVD. Dante warned Sonny of things to come. Wait to See: Luke makes Tracy jealous. Johnny gets the upper hand on Steve.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Jill disguised herself and snapped a photo of Victor and Genevieve in what appeared to be a compromising position. Phyllis was angry at Nick for not telling her that he was working with Sharon again. Lauren secretly carried a gun to protect herself from Daisy. Phyllis offered Ricky a promotion if he dug up some dirt on Daisy. Michael sensed that there were still feelings between Chloe and Kevin. Ashley showed Nikki the picture of Victor and Genevieve's romantic dinner. Kevin confided in Michael about how his marriage to Angelina was a sham. Wait to See: Tucker is impressed by Angelina's new song and agrees to record her track. Michael has no idea how close Lauren is to falling apart.

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TRIVIA TEST

- LANGUAGE: What is the meaning of the Latin phrase "novus ordo seclorum," located on the Great Seal on a U.S. \$1 bill?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name for a seashell collector or expert?
- ART: What Mexican muralist was married to Mexican painter Frida Kahlo?
- COMICS: What was the name of Casper the Friendly Ghost's horse?
- SPORTS: Where did the sport of jai alai originate?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where is Death Valley located?
- TELEVISION: Which PBS documentary series featured the song "Ashokan Farewell" as its theme music?
- MEDICINE: What is the brand name for the sedative diazepam?
- LITERATURE: Who was the first to

receive the Nobel Prize in Literature (1901)?
10. ENTERTAINERS: What was the stage name of the actor who was born "Laszlo Lowenstein"?

Answers

- A new order of the ages
- Conchologist
- Diego Rivera
- Nightmare
- Spain's Basque region
- Southern California
- "The Civil War" by Ken Burns
- Valium
- French poet Sully Prudhomme
- Peter Lorre

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Charlotte Cooley Is Host To Pennyrile Garden Club

The Pennyrile Garden Club met March 20 at the home of hostess Charlotte Cooley.

President Imogene Davis called the meeting to order, and Peggy Furgerson read the club collect. Members answered the roll by naming the new plants they are adding to their yards this year. Sharon Budd read the minutes from the February meeting, and Furgerson gave the financial report.

During discussion of old business, Davis reported that the guidelines for Yard of the Month had been posted at the library near the nomination box.

New business included plans

for planting flowers in the urn at Veterans Memorial Park and opportunities to participate in the Derby at the Darby events. Jo Ann Edwards reported the museum will have its annual tag and plant sale April 20-21 and would appreciate donations of extra plants from members' yards.

Following dessert the members played bingo. Attendees were Hazel McChesney, Susan Menser, Eloise Morris, Budd, Davis, Edwards, Furgerson and Cooley.

The next meeting will be April 17 with Furgerson as hostess. Annual dues will be collected at the April meeting.



LAUREN DAVENPORT (right) is assisting customers (from left) Kylie Littlejohn, Andie and Allie Mills Tuesday, March 27, at the new location of the Paw Mart in the Dawson Springs Elementary School. Paw Mart is open each morning from 7:30 until 7:55.

photo by Beth Dillingham

Warbler Weekend Scheduled At Lake Barkley State Park

An entire weekend devoted to birding and tours throughout the Land Between the Lakes region are all part of Warbler Weekend at Lake Barkley State Resort Park scheduled for April 20-22.

The weekend, sponsored by the park and the Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, is the time around the lake region to look and listen for migrating birds – especially warblers such as yellow-throated, parulas and redstarts. The entire weekend is dedicated to these spring arrivals.

Local guides will lead tours throughout Land Between the Lakes and offer identification and viewing tips for beginners.

The cost for this event is \$50 a person and includes two birding hotspot van tours, breakfast with the birds, a bluebird talk and walk, a live birds of prey program and early bird hikes.

Space is limited to offer the best birding opportunities, so registration is required. Lake

Barkley is also offering a discounted room rate of \$55.95 per night for participants.

In conjunction with Warbler Weekend and the Little River Audubon Society, Kentucky Chautauqua presents "Lucy Bakewell Audubon; Audubon's Leading Lady" on Saturday, April 21, at 7 p.m.

It was not easy being the wife of John James Audubon, yet Lucy Bakewell Audubon was, in her own words, "perfectly suited for him." Lucy's story is one of love, lies, disappointment, an internal struggle over her ever-changing role in her family, abandonment, sacrifice, and finally, redemption. Kelly O'Connell Brengleman portrays Lucy Audubon for Kentucky Chautauqua. This program is free and open to the public.

Kentucky Chautauqua is an exclusive presentation of the Kentucky Humanities Council Inc.



TRYSTAN HATFIELD (left) and Bailey Suttle were among the first students to shop at the Paw Mart's new location in the Dawson Springs Elementary School Tuesday, March 27. Beth Dillingham is the new sponsor.

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THESE local fans are ready for the big game and are proud to show their true colors. From the top is Richard and Ruby Hatley's home at 504 South Main St.; the South Main St. home of Ben and Gale Bearden; the Hamby Ave. home of Jason and Sunday Jones; Teresa and Mark Hollis' home on South Main St.; and the front door of the David and Beri Zaparanick's home on Scott St.

Branch Library To Host Lasagna Lunch Tuesday

The annual luncheon sponsored by the Friends of the Library will take place from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Katherine Barnett Meeting Room.

The menu includes lasagna, white lasagna, salad, garlic bread, dessert and drink. The

cost of the meal is \$7.50. Pre-paid 2012 members eat free.

Individual memberships are \$7.50, and family memberships are \$15. Membership dues can be paid at the luncheon or mailed to Friends of Library 103 W. Ramsey St., Dawson Springs, KY 42408.

'Great Expectations' Airs On KET April 1 And 8

An orphan boy meets an escaped convict, a crazed rich woman and a bewitching girl, and grows up to have great expectations of wealth from a mysterious patron in Masterpiece Classic's "Great Expectations," Charles Dickens' remarkable tale of rags to riches to self-knowledge.

The two-part program airs Sundays, April 1 and 8 at 8 p.m. on KET.

Gillian Anderson appears as one of Dickens' most haunting creations: Miss Havisham, a bride-to-be who was jilted at the altar years before and has worn her faded wedding dress ever since, surrounded at home by the fossilized remains of the marriage feast and hell-bent on getting even with the male species.

"Great Expectations" airs during the bicentennial of Dickens' birth and marks the fif-

teenth Masterpiece adaptation of the great novelist's works, including the acclaimed Bleak House, starring Anderson; Little Dorrit, the winner of seven Emmy awards; and David Copperfield, which introduced the very young Daniel Radcliffe (Harry Potter) to American audiences.

Newcomer Douglas Booth plays Pip, the promising young man who is snared in Miss Havisham's lair. On the way to becoming a gentleman, he falls in love with Miss Havisham's beautiful adopted daughter, Estella, played by Vanessa Kirby.

Also co-starring: David Suchet as Jaggers, Miss Havisham's crack attorney; and Ray Winstone as the fugitive felon Abel Magwitch, who is by turns dangerous, vengeful and recklessly loyal.



ZANE HOWARD (left) with Bailey Moore and Haylie Cunningham took advantage of the warm weather Monday, March 26, to spend time at the city park.

Titanic Sinking Anniversary Is Commemorated On KET

KET commemorates the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, the deadliest peacetime maritime disaster in history, with three new programs in April: "Saving the Titanic" airs Tuesday, April 10, at 8 p.m.; "The Titanic With Len Goodman" airs Thursday, April 12, at 9 p.m.; and "Why Ships Sink" airs Wednesday, April 18, at 8 p.m.

"Saving the Titanic" is a new historical drama that tells the untold story of the self-sacrifice and bravery of the ship's engineers, stokers and firemen. The program seeks to answer the question of what happened in the engine and boiler rooms after the collision. Based on eyewitness accounts, this is the remarkable story of nine men from the engineering crew who fought courageously to hold back the power of the sea and keep the power systems running, even when they learned that all was lost.

"The Titanic With Len Goodman" examines the impact of the ship's sinking

on the thousands of affected families. Goodman, best known as a judge on Dancing with the Stars, has his own connection to the ship. Before he was a dancer, he was a welder in East London for Harland and Woolf, the company that built the Titanic in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Goodman takes viewers on an exploration of the ship's legacy through the stories of the handpicked group of men who helped build the Titanic and then died with her. He also uncovers the stories of 700 emigrants who were on board and had the smallest odds of survival.

"Why Ships Sink" investigates the safety of cruise ships and questions whether passengers are safe at sea a century later. Each program provides a unique perspective on the April 14, 1912, disaster — from historical drama to science to personal stories of the effect of the tragedy on the descendants of those who perished and those who survived.



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